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PROCEEDINGS

—OF THE—

NINTH ANNUAL CONVENTION AND TOURNAMENT

—OF THE—

North Carolina State Firemen's Association,

—HELD AT—

Fayetteville, North Carolina,

—ON—

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY

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MISS FODIE M. BUIE, Normal and Industrial School, Greensboro.

NINTH ANNUAL REPORT.

The Ninth Annual Convention of the North Carolina Firemen's Association convened in the Courthouse in the town of Fayetteville, on Tuesday, August 2nd, 1897.

MORNING SESSION.

President James D McNeill called the Convention to order at 11 o'clock, and requested Rev. Isaac W. Hughes, of St. John's Church, to open the Convention with prayer, who asked the blessing of God in the following words:

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen. O God, we beseech Thee that Thou will be present here and that Thou wilt let us know what we ought to do and what is our duty, and that we may have grace and power to faithfully fulfill the same through Jesus Christ our Lord O God, who knowest us to be set in the midst of great danger, we beseech Thee to look upon these servants of Thine in their trials and temptations and dangers; may they have the strength of Thy protection, and especially we pray Thee for such strength and protection for these Thy sons who, at a moment's call, peril their lives for the lives and possession of others, all of which we beg for Jesus Christ's sake. Almighty God, Thou alone who can order and control the affairs of sinful man, we beseech Thee to be present with these Thy servants in all moments of trial, in all moments of peril, in all moments of doubt, be with them to bear them safely on, we beseech Thee in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. O Holy Father, who hath said in Thy Holy Word that wheresoever two or three are gathered together in Thy name, Thou wast in the midst of them, we beseech Thee to be present with these,

and that the Holy Ghost may enter their hearts and dwell within their minds, and that the meditations of their hearts may now and always be acceptable in Thy sight.

We pray Thee, O Lord, that Thou wilt direct them in all their doings, and that the Holy Ghost may enter their hearts and that all their works from this on may be to glorify Thy holy name, and finally obtain everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. And now may the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds, and the grace of God Almighty, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. Amen.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

Mr. N. B. Alexander, of Fayetteville, made the following Address of Welcome:

Members of the Firemen's Association of North and South Carolina:

Some months ago, when your worthy chief announced that the Firemen's Association of North Carolina would hold its next annual convention in Fayetteville, we did not realize what it meant; we did not grasp the full import of the announcement. In fact, very few of us knew anything about the Firemen's Association. It is true that the papers had spoken of it occasionally; it is true that they had given the Legislature considerable inconvenience in resisting a mean attempt to destroy them by withholding their annual appropriation, but we did not realize that our own boys belonged to this association, and that it belonged as much to Fayetteville as to any other town in the State; and not till the local branch of your order began to bestir themselves in preparation for your reception did we begin to think that, probably after all, the Firemen's Association did amount to something; that probably it was a bigger thing than we had expected; and when I face this audience and look into the manly faces of these sturdy firemen, I know that I voice the sentiments of this entire community when I say that the half had not been told, and I feel that not only the fire department, but your respective States, also, might well be proud to own you as their sons.

Fayetteville has entertained some notable assemblages in her day. She has celebrated epochs in her history that have helped to shape the destiny of this nation itself, and now with these assemblages and these celebrations, the meeting of your convention will also redound to the credit of this old town, already made famous in song and story.

Unselfishness is one of the noblest virtues that warms the human heart. Selfishness flourishes amidst the miasma of earth. Unselfishness is of heavenly birth. It is this that renews the faded image of

God that was first imprinted upon man when he came fresh from the hand of his great Creator. It is this that lifts us above the groveling, sordid scenes of earth into the glorious sunlight of a nobler, better purpose, and it is this out of which heroes are made. An unselfish devotion to duty is the basic stone upon which the Volunteer Firemen's Organization is founded ; it is the basic stone upon which every order is founded that has for its aim the helping of mankind. Men, prompted by ambition to write their names upon the scroll of fame, have marched fearlessly to the sound of booming guns and bursting shells into the very jaws of death, but the brave volunteer fireman, actuated only by a sense of duty, oft risks, yes, sacrifices, his very life to save others. The scene of his conflict is where the flames in mad fury leap up to the skies, and where, above the tumult and confusion, is heard the frantic cry for help! It is then that he crowns himself with honors, compared with which the trophies of selfish ambition fade and fall away. No greater heroism than this, that a man will lay down his life for his fellows.

Fayetteville feels honored at having you as her guests, and I am commissioned by her citizens to extend to you a most cordial reception. The hospitality of Fayetteville is proverbial, and upon this line I can speak with authority, having been the recipient of it myself. Here will be pointed out to you the place from which, almost, the first note of freedom was sounded, which was afterwards taken up by the American people, and was heard around the world. You will see here the ruins of an institution that in its day was second to none. The site of that institution now marks the pathway of a vandal host ; around its mouldering ruins cluster fond associations, for they tell of a past that was glorious, and they stand like faithful sentinels, guarding well the memory of that past ; and here you will see the famous Cross Creek, and nestling in silent beauty upon its banks is the sacred city of our dead. As you wander through the quiet scene, moss-grown with age, you would be excused for the thought that, perhaps, the immortal Gray got inspiration for his beautiful elegy by a visit to this romantic spot, for

> "Here scattered, oft the earliest of the year,
> By hands unseen, are showers of violets found ;
> The red breast loves to build and warble here,
> And little footsteps lightly print the ground."

And as you wander amid the grottoes and shady nooks you will find springs, the waters of which, if you drink, like the pleasures of Daphne, will forever draw you back again, and then above all, and crowning all, we have the fairest women that grace earth's fairest scenes, whose beauty once seen and whose voices once heard, like siren songs, can never be resisted. All ! all ! are yours. Again I give you greeting ! Our hearts and our homes are open to you. Go in and possess them.

RESPONSES.

On the part of the East, Mr. T. C. Daniels, of Newbern, made the following response:

Mr. President, Gentlemen of the Convention, Ladies, and Citizens of Fayetteville:

As Mr. Alexander has told you about once upon a time when at an entertainment he thought he was going to make a brilliant effort, but failed, so I, like him, not thinking I am going to make a brilliant effort, expect to fail. Chief McNeill, a man honored, respected and loved by the firemen of North Carolina, (applause) requested me by letter a few weeks ago that he desired to ask a favor of me in answer to a favor I had requested of him. It was that I should respond to the address of welcome on behalf of the East. He said that he wouldn't take no for an answer, that he had never taken that even from a woman. (Laughter.) That settled it; it had to be done. The chief came to our town and I asked him to get some one else, but he said no. That ended it. I am here, and I expect to "drop." But representing the fire departments of the eastern section of North Carolina, I thank Mr. Alexander for the kind words of welcome, the open hospitality that you have tendered us, not only of the East, but of the West, to this most hospitable of hospitable towns in North Carolina. (Applause.) We are glad to be with you. It has been our desire since the tournament was held in Newbern to see this day when we could attend the city of Fayetteville, meet with this chief and with the delightful members of the Chicora Department, meet with them and do as they did us when they were in our town. It is our pleasure. We are here. The East is here, and the East expects Fayetteville to know that it has been here a week hence. (Applause.)

To the West I would like to say that a feeling has sprung up that seems to tear asunder—a line seems to be drawing across the State separating the Eastern Departments from the Western Departments. This feeling should not exist, and to-day, representing the East, I say to the West, Let's wipe away and banish this feeling and join and act and be brothers—brothers in fire work, brothers in all actions that tend to our betterment and to our benefit. (Applause.) Yesterday I had occasion to see in a paper an attack upon a man honored by the firemen of North Carolina. Representing the East, we repudiate it. North Carolina has no man who has done nobler, greater work for this Association than has James D. McNeill. (Applause.) He stood at the breach when the Legislature of North Carolina attempted to disband and disintegrate the State Firemen's Association. He placed himself at the head of North Carolina firemen, and to-day we meet again stronger, more united, more capable of attend-

ing to the duties of firemen than ever before. All honor to him. Again thanking you for the hospitality and the courteous welcome that has been extended to us, and for the entertainment, citizens of Fayetteville, I thank you.

In behalf of the West, in the absence of Mayor Nelson, of Greensboro, Dr. J. W. Griffith made the following response:

Mr. President, Gentlemen of the Association, Ladies and Gentlemen and Firemen:

I am like my friend Alexander; I have no set speech to make. It is a surprise to me, and if I ever had anything to say, I do not know whether I am able to say it now or not. It has knocked the starch out of me, but as a fireman, I am always ready to meet any emergency. If I impose on you—(one in the audience: "We'll turn the water on you.") (Laughter.) I will say in behalf of the firemen of Western North Carolina, that we are glad to be with you. When we came, your welcome made our hearts feel that we were among friends. We know that we have one friend among the firemen of Fayetteville, and we believe we have the friendship of every fireman of Fayetteville. I have reference to Chief McNeill. (Applause.) A better fireman and a better friend to firemen never breathed. (Applause.) I was sorry to hear my friend Daniels refer to a dividing line that seems to have been brought to bear between the Eastern and Western firemen. I think it must be imaginary. I am sorry to think such a thing exists. The firemen of Western North Carolina are friends to the firemen of the East and will stand by them, and are always glad to go to the East, because they know they will get good entertainment. This Association was organized in Western North Carolina, and I speak the sentiment of every fireman in Western North Carolina when I say that they have the good of the Association at heart. There is nothing they can do that they feel is too much for them, too much for the Association, to advance its interests. I think it has been demonstrated by different members of the Association. This Association is made up of members from every town where there is a Fire Department in the State, and this feeling of a dividing line between the East and the West should be imaginary, if it is not. It should not exist. We enter these contests from the West feeling that we have strong competition from the East, which we have, but we are always ready in a friendly, brotherly way, to meet the competition, and if we are defeated, take our part and go home and come again. I do not believe that the firemen of Western North Carolina feel that such a line does exist. If it does, there should be some steps taken at once to smother it and blot it out. We should have no dividing line; we should be brothers on all occasions.

As for the hospitality, when it was decided last year that we should go to Fayetteville, I do not think that there is a fireman who was in the convention in Salisbury that has not looked forward to this day. They felt that not only the firemen of Fayetteville, but every citizen of Fayetteville, would welcome them and open their doors to them, as they have done. I have yet to hear the first man say—and it is very seldom, Mr. President, that we do not hear a complaint, but I have yet to hear the first complaint. That is saying something for the people of Fayetteville who have come to your rescue. I don't think it has ever been said of any other town we have been to. (Applause.) The reputation of the people of Fayetteville for hospitality has gone out before this occasion. There is no more hospitable people living than the people of Fayetteville and of Eastern North Carolina. (Applause.) And as for the ladies, Mr. President, I have got this to say: I have got my second wife, and I am a pretty young looking man for that, but I have got this to say, if I should lose her, I would pitch my tent in Fayetteville. (Laughter.) I am a great admirer of the ladies, and I think every fireman is. I can say in behalf of all the ladies, and especially the ladies of Fayetteville, God bless them.

We thank the citizens of Fayetteville for their kind welcome to us, and I assure you that it is the pleasure of all the Western firemen, as Brother Daniels has said of the East, to make the people know next week that the Western North Carolina firemen have been to Fayetteville.

Mayor Cook, of Fayetteville, was then gracefully introduced by President McNeill, and cordially welcomed the Association, in behalf of the city, giving them the freedom and possession of it and everything in it.

The following Committee on Credentials was appointed:

W. T. McCarthy, of New Berne.
Chief J. W. Gulick, of Goldsboro.
Chief Charles L. Schnibbens, of Wilmington.
Chief J. L. Stone, of Greensboro.
A. A. McKethan, of Fayetteville.

The following verbal protest was filed against the Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Company and the Fifth Ward Hook and Ladder Company, by Chief Charles Schnibbens:

WHEREAS, The Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Company No. 1 and the 'ifth Ward Hook and Ladder Company, of the Fire Department of ıe City of Wilmington, have withdrawn from active duty and ırned over their apparatus to the city, and are, therefore, not in ıll accord or in good standing, according to Article 3, Section 4, of ıe Constitution of the State Firemen's Association, I therefore enter ıy protest.

CHARLES SCHNIBBENS,
Chief Wilmington Fire Department.

Chief Schnibbens was asked to put the protest in vriting.

Chief Stone said:

The reason Chief Schnibbens had not put it in writing was because e was a member of the committee.

Mr. Parmelee:

It is eminently proper that all the proceedings of the Convention hould be taken note of, therefore I move that this protest be put in vriting.

Dr. Griffith:

GENTLEMEN OF THE CONVENTION:—I want to call your attention to he exhibit made by the Odell Hardware Company of Greensboro. 'he Odell Hardware Company is handling the Eureka fire goods. It s an all-right Company, and I would like for you to examine the ;oods.

Mr. Hanes, of Tarboro, moved that the Association xtend its thanks to the Odell Hardware Company 'or the handsome exhibit.

Carried.

After some discussion, Mr. Haar offered the following amendment to Article 3, Section 4, of the Constitution:

But that Companions who retire from active service for a term of ıot more than two years, shall be considered entitled to all privileges ɔf the Convention.

The amendment was to be read before the Executive Committee before it could be voted upon by the Assembly.

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet at half past two o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Convention was called to order by the President.

Dr. Griffith said:

These proceedings are something immense. I am ready to make a motion to adopt them as printed, with the exception of some things which were omitted in the last transactions. I have reference to the 5 per cent. clause and in regard to the partial disability These two things have been omitted in the make-up or body of the proceedings. It was a mistake made by the printers. The proceedings are not perfect, and with these exceptions I am ready to make a motion that they be adopted as printed.

The President asked Vice-President Parmelee to take the chair.

Mr. McNeill:

I understand that the motion is to amend the proceedings of last year by inserting the clause in regard to the partial disability and the 5 per cent.?

The clause was read by the Secretary.

Chief McNeill:

In regard to the 5 per cent., when the committee in Salisbury reported on the partial disability, I came before the Convention and suggested that experience had taught me that the expense was considerable, and that the general fund was suffering, and I recommended that 5 per cent. be deducted from all claims, to go to the general fund to help pay expenses. It was accepted, and the Convention unanimously adopted it. Dr. Griffith has just explained how it got left out of the proceedings. If we did not do this we would have to increase the membership fee to pay the running expenses of the Association.

Dr. Griffith called attention to the fact that the Salisbury Department was not recognized in the body of the proceedings, but was in the membership list.

The President referred the question of the amendment to Mr. VonGlahn, Mr. McCarthy and Chief Bradsher.

Chief ———:

How many men can a company turn in? Any number, or must ve have only 18?

President McNeill:

Just as many as you please. The President does not regulate the umber. Every fireman in North Carolina is entitled to membership, but he must get it through his company. As many members f the company as wish can become beneficiaries.

The Secretary reported dues all paid.

The President made the following report, which on notion was received by the Convention, and ordered printed in the minutes.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

To the Officers and Members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association:

GENTLEMEN:—I take pleasure in submitting to you my report of he transactions, financial and otherwise, of my office since last we net in Salisbury. Under our rules the chief duties of my position are to properly audit, approve and order paid the several claims against the Relief Fund that may be presented from time to time by members who have become sick or disabled on account of their duties as firemen. These duties I have conscientiously performed, I hope satisfactorily, to the members claiming relief, as well as to the rust itself.

At our last meeting in Salisbury some changes were made which he experiences of the past year have shown to me are not as satisfactory as they should be. I refer to the *partial* disability clause. There is no doubt in my mind that a *partial* disability should be allowed, but I would recommend that more safeguards be thrown around the application than now exist. I especially call this matter to your attention.

During the past year I have audited, approved and ordered paid 64 warrants, for particulars of which I refer you to our Treasurer's report.

During the past year we have been compelled to draw upon our reserve, as the claims upon our relief fund have exceeded our annual appropriation. This conclusively shows the importance in protecting our reserve fund. This *reserve*, which, under ordinary conditions, should be a blessing and a thing much to be desired, strange to say came very near being the cause of our Association receiving a blow from our law-making powers last winter that would have seriously

endangered our very organized existence. I refer to the attempt by a few misinformed and misguided members of the last Legislature to repeal our annual appropriation. I am glad, however, to state that after a full explanation of our affairs, and an appeal being made to the Legislature by our officials, ably supplemented by a number of earnest and patriotic members, that by quite a handsome vote the matter was defeated and we were let alone to enjoy our benefits. The mere fact that we have a *reserve* should be a most favorable and convincing argument in our favor, as it shows to the world that we are sacredly guarding this fund, and are trying to lay by surplus enough to prevent us from having to ask an increase, as our Association yearly grows larger and stronger.

It is proper that I should, in this report, express my personal appreciation of the earnest and cordial support extended to me by the chiefs and the departments throughout the State during my stay at the capital last winter. Without such help I would have been badly hadicapped.

I also desire to extend to the officials of the North Carolina Volunteer Association our appreciation of their help in our efforts to protect both of our Associations from injury. Acting in what I conceived to be the line of my duty, and in addition having a pardonable pride in making the year 1897 a memorable one in our history, I have visited the principal towns and cities in the State in our interest and have also written a large number of letters to prominent citizens, mayors, &c., urging the importance of increased interest in our Association, and from the actual results, as seen by us all, in the unprecedented attendance and interest displayed at this our Ninth Annual, it seems that my labor has not been in vain.

I would urge upon my successor the continuance of this line of work until the last town and hamlet in the State had an organized fire department and was represented in our membership.

In my visits throughout the State I have found in some instances conditions existing that should not be allowed to continue. The occupation of a volunteer fireman *is* and *should be* a most honorable one, but I know of cases where he is well thought of and appreciated while danger actually threatens, but as soon as danger is over he is out of mind and looked down upon, chiefly because he is not a dude or does not cut a proper figure in the "german."

I would that every fire department could model in that respect after my own, where our membership is respected by *all*, and represents *all* that is worth representing amongst our people. My chief aim as chief of my own department has always been to make it efficient and respected, and my ambition as President of your honorable Association has been to make it likewise.

As for all detail work of the Association for the past year, I refer you to the reports of our Secretary and Treasurer and Statistician. I desire, however, to thank them for their valued and prompt assistance in executing the work of the Association.

I regret exceedingly to report the serious illness of our worthy Treasurer. I would ask you to join me in the hope of his speedy recovery to health and usefulness.

In conclusion I thank you for the honors that you have conferred upon me in thrice making me your chief executive official. I appreciate the same, and can only hope that I have merited your approbation and that I have satisfactorily carried out your desires.

Congratulating you upon your past and upon the present prospects for the largest attendance ever before at a Convention and Tournament, and desiring for it the highest success, I am yours,

JAS. D. MCNEILL.

The Report of the Secretary being next in order, was read by the Secretary.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

DURHAM, N. C., Aug. 3, 1897.

To the Officers and Members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association:

GENTLEMEN:—For the first time it becomes my duty as Secretary to report to you the condition of the Association for the past year, being the Ninth Annual Convention of this Association.

During the year just past, there has been considerable interest shown by the firemen of our State, made evident by the calls on the relief fund, which have all been paid promptly.

I have enrolled four (4) new Companies, as follows:

Charlotte Reel Team, 3 members.
Wilson Fire Company No. 3, 7 members.
Rocky Mount Steam Fire Company No. 1, 18 members.
Nelson Hose Company, of Henderson, 14 members.

Have re-instated, without initiation fees, two Companies which have been out of the Association for some time, viz:

Capital Hose Company, Raleigh, 21 members.
W R. Womble Hook and Ladder Company, Raleigh, 20 members.

One of the Companies of last year failed to report.

Number of Companies now enrolled, 38.

Total membership to date is 724, which includes the 20 chiefs, 15 assistant chiefs, and 1 individual member. Increase over last year of 123 members.

Six towns report no assistant chief; one neither chief nor assistant.

I have received the following amounts of money for the General Fund:

Amount from Dues	$396.00
Contributions, expenses of Legislative Committee	50.31
Amount from Advertising in Proceedings	39.25
From Relief Fund, by order of President	200.00
Amount taken from Sick Benefits	137.25
Total	$822.81

This is the 5 per cent. ordered by the last Convention to be taken from the benefits drawn from the Relief Fund to help defray the expenses of the Association.

JAS. D. MCNEILL, President.

Warrants issued on General Fund are as follows:

1896.		
Sept. 10.	No. 1, Jas. J. Stone, Printing (Griffith)	$ 12.50
Sept. 18.	No. 2, J. C. Michie, Stamps	5.00
Sept. 18.	No. 3, Jas. D. McNeill, Stamps	3.00
Oct. 2.	No. 4, Miss Foddie M. Buie, Rept'g Proceedings	17.90
Nov. 20.	No. 5, J. C. Michie, Salary six months	100.00
Nov. 20.	No. 6, J. C. Michie, Trip to Greensboro	6.00
Dec. 8.	No. 7, B. T. Amerson, Salary and Expenses ('96)	42.27
Dec. 26.	No. 8, J. C. Michie, Stamps and Express	10.00
1897.		
Feb. 5.	No. 9, Jas. D. McNeill, Exp. Raleigh on Bill	20.36
Feb. 5.	No. 10, Martin Newman, Exp. Raleigh on Bill	15.00
Feb. 5.	No. 11, J. C. Michie, Exp. Raleigh on Bill	6.00
Feb. 5.	No. 12, Educator Co., Printing Proceedings	75.00
Feb. 5.	No. 13, T. A Green, Balance on Salary ('96)	100.00
Feb. 5.	No. 14, T. A. Green, Postage, Stationery	5.00
Feb. 22.	No. 15, Jas. D. McNeill, Postake	5.00
Feb. 22.	No. 16, Jas. D. McNeill, Exp. Trip to Raleigh	39.19
Feb 22.	No. 17, Martin Newman, Exp. Trip to Raleigh	13.25
Mar. 16.	No. 18, J. C. Michie, Stamps	5.00
Jun. 1.	No. 19, J. C. Michie, Stamps	5.00
Jun. 1.	No. 20, Jas. D. McNeill, Stamps	5.00
Jun. 23.	No. 21, Jas. D. McNeill, Trip to Salisbury ('96)	11.75
	Total	$502.22

Express on Association Books and Papers from Greensboro	$ .55
Blank Book	.35
Express on Electrotypes	.30
Exchange on Checks	1.40
J. F. Wily, Cashier Fidelity Bank (Wilson Fire Co. No. 3's Check returned)	3 50
Total	$6.10

Total amounts received July 28, 1897	$822.81
Warrants issued on Relief Fund	502.28
Expense Account, as per itemized bill	6.10
Balance on hand	$314.43

BILLS UNPAID.

Educator Company, Balance on Printing Proceedings	$ 33.27
T. A. Green, Salary for 1897	150 00
J. C. Michie, Balance on Salary for 1897	100.00
Total	$283.27
Balance on hand after bills are paid	$ 31.16

Have received 66 applications for relief, and have issued 66, as follows:

1896.			
Aug. 21.	Warrant	No. 1, H. E. Heartt, Durham	$ 10.00
Sept. 10.	"	No. 2, Geo. H. Bender, New Berne	34.00
Sept. 10.	"	No. 3, T. D. Carraway, New Berne	10.00
Sept. 15.	"	No. 4, Flavins Keith, Greensboro	22.00
Sept. 18.	"	No. 5, J. W. Hicks, Durham	50.00
Sept. 18.	"	No. 6, Tom C. Daniels, New Berne	34.00
Oct. 14.	"	No. 7, John Gaskill, New Berne	104.00
Nov. 2	"	No. 8, W. F. Keith, Winston	32.00
Nov. 27.	"	No. 9, F. F. Matthews, New Berne	8.00
Dec. 17.	"	No. 10, J. W. Petty, Greensboro	40.00
1897.			
Jan. 11.	"	No. 11, R. Will Johnson, Concord	10.00
Jan. 9.	"	No. 12, J. W. Petty, Greensboro	46.00
Jan. 13.	"	No. 13, E H Munson, Wilmington	12.00
Jan. 28.	"	No. 14, W E Culpeper, Charlotte	84.00
Feb. 5.	"	No. 15, T. A. Green, Order President	150.00
Feb. 5.	"	No. 16, T. A. Green, Printing Exp	50.00
Feb. 8.	"	No. 17, Mrs. J. W. Stafford, Death Benefit of J. W. Stafford	300.00
Feb. 11.	"	No. 18, J. W. Strange, Fayetteville	18.00
Feb. 11.	"	No. 19, Jas. D. McNeill, Fayetteville	24.00
Feb. 13.	"	No. 20, Peter N. Fick, Wilmington	18.00
Feb. 13.	"	No. 21, L. P. Hobgood, Durham,	10.00
Feb. 13.	"	No. 22, John Hill Bunting, Wilmington	96.00
Feb. 22.	"	No. 23, Geo. C. Jones, New Berne	30.00
Feb. 22.	"	No. 24, J. R. Hearttsfield, New Berne	24.00
Feb. 22.	"	No. 25, Chas. S Hill, New Berne	12.00
Feb. 27.	"	No. 26, W. E. Culpeper, Charlotte	60.00
Mar. 1.	"	No. 27, W. S. Parsons, New Berne	44.00
Mar. 1.	"	No. 28, J. G Gaskill, New Berne	60.00
Mar. 8.	"	No. 29, L. J. Taylor, New Berne	60.00
Mar. 9.	"	No. 30, Martin Newman, Wilmington	20.00
Mar. 12.	"	No. 31, Geo. C. Jones, New Berne	24.00
Mar. 12.	"	No. 32, H. H. Tooker, New Berne	60.00
Mar. 12.	"	No. 33, Chas. S. Hill, New Berne	16.00
Mar. 13.	"	No. 34, W. H. Bloome, Wilmington	102.00
Mar. 13.	"	No. 35, O. D. Drayney, New Berne	62.00
Mar. 16.	"	No. 36, Jas. D. Delamar, New Berne	30.00
Mar. 16.	"	No. 37, Jno. D. Roberts, New Berne	24.00
Mar. 16.	"	No. 38, H. P. Peschau, Wilmington	16.00
Mar. 19.	"	No. 39, John Roddick, Fayetteville	12.00
Mar. 25.	"	No. 40, H. W. Simpson, New Berne	82.00
Mar. 30.	"	No. 41, Oscar A. Kafer, New Berne	30.00

Apr. 9.	"	No. 42, James Nelson, New Berne	54.00
Apr. 9.	"	No. 43, James Delamar, New Berne. . .	10.00
Apr. 21.	"	No. 44, Thos. J. Gore, Wilmington . . .	20.00
May 7.	"	No. 45, W. H. Hamelcamel, Wilmington,	20.00
May 12.	"	No. 46, W. S. Orr, Charlotte	32.00
May 27.	"	No. 47, J. W. Timberlake, New Berne. .	40.00
May 27.	"	No. 48, W. M. Mangum, Jr., Durham . .	10.00
Jun. 4.	"	No. 49, N. P. Politsas, Wilmington . . .	26.00
Jun. 4.	"	No. 50, Geo. E. Lougee, Jr., Durham . .	10 00
Jun. 4.	"	No. 51, W. R. Elliott, Greensboro	50.00
Jun. 16.	"	No. 52, C. D. Howell, Wilson	70.00
Jun. 23.	"	No. 53, Jas. D. McNeill, Fayetteville . .	26.00
July 1.	"	No. 54, John Lewis, Greensboro	40.00
July 1.	"	No. 55, W. R. Elliott, Greensboro	42.00
July 5.	"	No. 56, T D. Caraway, New Berne . . .	20.00
July 14.	"	No. 57, Jack Crabtree, New Berne	18 00
July 15.	"	No. 58, J. C. Michie, Durham	24.00
July 20.	"	No. 59, P. A. Dixon, New Berne	10.00
July 20.	"	No. 60, J. F. Strayhorn, Raleigh	18.00
July 22.	"	No. 61, W. B. Howard, Salisbury	8.00
July 24.	"	No. 62, John Roddick, Fayetteville . . .	20.00
July 24.	"	No. 63, E. G. Jones, Wilmington	186.00
July 27.	"	No. 64, Alex. Kreth, Raleigh . . .	17.00
July 28.	"	No. 65, John W. Thomas, Greensboro . .	30.00
July 28.	"	No. 66, W. M. McKethan, Fayetteville .	14.00
			$2,745.00

I have received the notice of only two deaths in the Association, viz: J. W. Stafford, of Goldsboro Fire Department, and Charles Warren, of Durham Fire Department.

In closing this report I beg to thank the Association for the honor conferred on me in selecting me as Secretary at the last Convention, and hope my efforts to serve the Association have not failed entirely.

I would also call the attention of this Convention to the untiring work of our most worthy President in making this meeting the success shown by the attendance here to-day, and to the valuable work he has ever done, in behalf of the Association, for which I am certain he has the hearty thanks of the entire brotherhood of Volunteer Firemen.

The officers and members also deserve credit for having by their united efforts placed this Association where it stands to-day, the leading Volunteer Firemen's Organization in this country.

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. Michie, *Secretary.*

The report was referred to a committee consisting of L. L. Chamberlain, Durham; W. B. Pate, Goldsboro; J. M. Patton, Asheville; L. Norvell, Winston; W. T. Sanders, Wilson.

Having examined the accounts and report of the Secretarv, we respectfully report same correct and in good shape.

LORENZA NORVELL, *Winston.*
L. L. CHAMBERLAIN, *Durham.*
W. B. PATE, *Goldsboro.*
W. T. SANDERS, *Wilson.*

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Treasurer Green was unable to be present on account of sickness, and his report was referred to the Finance Committee. Not all the members being present, the President appointed L. J. Taylor, John Roddick, John ——-———, (Rocky Mount,) H. J. Elam and R. C. Platt to serve as a temporary committee.

NEWBERN, N. C., Aug. 2nd, 1897.

RELIEF FUND.

1896.		
Aug. 24.	To cash, balance on hand as per last report . . .	$4,189.84
Nov. 14.	To cash received of W. H. Worth, State Treasurer, balance due on appropriation to November 30, 1896	937.50
		$5,127.34

Sept. 10.	By cash paid	H. E. Heart	Order No.	1 .	$	10 00
" 23.	" "	G. H Bender. . . .	"	2 .		34.00
" 23.	" "	J. D. Carraway. . .	"	3 .		10 00
" 23.	" "	J. W. Hicks	"	5 .		50.00
" 23.	" "	T. C. Daniels.	"	6 .		34 00
Oct. 16.	" "	F. Keith	"	4 .		22.00
" 16.	" "	John Gaskill.	"	7 .		104.00
Nov. 24.	" "	W. T. Keith	"	8 .		32.00
Dec. 15.	" "	F. F. Matthews . . .	"	9 .		8.00
" 22.	" "	J. W. Petty	"	10 .		40.00
1897.						
Jan. 14.	" "	R. W. Johnson. . . .	"	11 .		10 00
" 14.	" "	J. W. Petty	"	12 .		46.00
" 21.	" "	E. H. Munson . . .	"	13 .		12.00
" 30.	" "	W. E. Culpeper . . .	"	14 .		84.00
Feb. 10.	" "	T.A.Green, salary '97	"	15 .		150.00
" 10.	" "	T. A. Green, Treasurer, printing, &c.	"	16 .		50.00
" 16.	" "	J. W. Strange . . .	"	18 .		18.00
" 16.	" "	J. D. McNeill	"	19 .		24.00
" 23.	" "	Peter N. Fick . . .	"	20 .		18 00
" 23.	" "	L. P. Hobgood . . .	"	21 .		10.00
" 23.	" "	J. H. Bunting	"	22 .		96.00
" 27.	" "	George C. Jones . .	"	23 .		30 00
" 27.	" "	J. L. Hartsfield. . .	"	24 .		24.00
" 27.	" "	Charles L. Hill. . . .	"	25 .		12.00

May 5.	"	"	W. E. Culpeper . . .	"	26 .	60.00
" 5.	"	"	Will S. Parsons . . .	"	27 .	44.00
Mar. 11.	"	"	Mrs. Martha Stafford	"	17 .	300.00
" 11.	"	"	John J. Gaskill . . .	"	28 .	60.00
" 11.	"	"	L. J. Taylor	"	29 .	60.00
" 16.	"	"	Martin Newman . . .	"	30 .	20.00
" 16.	"	"	George C. Jones . .	"	31 .	24.00
" 16.	"	"	H. H. Tooker	"	32 .	60.00
" 16.	"	"	C. H. Hill	"	33 .	16.00
" 17.	"	"	W. H. Bloom	"	34 .	102.00
" 17.	"	"	O. D. Draney	"	35 .	62.00
" 19.	"	"	James G. Delemar .	"	36 .	30.00
" 19.	"	"	George D. Roberts .	"	37 .	24.00
" 19.	"	"	H. B. Peschau . . .	"	38 .	16 00
" 24.	"	"	John Roddick	"	39 .	12.00
" 29.	"	"	H. W. Simpson . . .	"	40 .	82.00
Ap'l 13.	"	"	Oscar Kaper	"	41 .	30.00
" 13.	"	"	Joe Nelson	"	42 .	54.00
" 13.	"	"	Jas. Delemar	"	43 .	10.00
" 27.	"	"	Thos. J. Gore	"	44 .	20.00
May 17.	"	"	W.H. Hamelcamel .	"	45 .	20.00
" 17.	"	"	W. S. Orr	"	46 .	32.00
June 1.	"	"	J. W. Timberlake . .	"	47 .	40.00
" 1.	"	"	W. M. Mangum . .	"	48 .	10.00
" 7.	"	"	N. Politsas	"	49 .	26.00
" 7.	"	"	George E. Lougee .	"	50 .	10 00
" 7.	"	"	W. R. Elliott	"	51 .	50.00
" 19.	"	"	A. D. Howell	"	52 .	70.00
" 28.	"	"	J. D. McNeill. . . .	"	53 .	26.00
July 6.	"	"	John Lewis	"	54 .	40.00
" 6.	"	"	W. R. Elliott	"	55 .	42.00
" 19.	"	"	Jack Crabtree . . .	"	57 .	18 00
" 30.	"	"	P. A. Dixon	"	59 .	10.00
" 30.	"	"	J. F. Strayhorn . . .	"	60 .	18.00
" 31.	"	"	F. D. Carraway . . .	"	56 .	20.00
" 31.	"	"	J. C. Michie	"	58 .	24.00
" 31.	"	"	W. B. Howard . . .	"	61 .	8.00
" 31.	"	"	John Roddick	"	62 .	20.00
" 31.	"	"	E. G. Jones	"	63 .	186.00
" 31.	"	"	Alexander Kreith . .	"	64 .	17.00
" 31.	"	"	John W. Thomas . .	"	65 .	30.00
" 31.	"	"	W. M. McKethan . .	"	66 .	14 00
						$2,745.00

Aug. 2. Balance on hand 2,382.34

$5,127.34

The annual appropriation of $1,875.00 for the fiscal year ending November 30, 1897, is still due and unpaid. I hope to be able to collect the same soon. Respectfully submitted,

T A. GREEN,
Treasurer North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

July 31, 1897.

We, the undersigned Finance Committee, have thoroughly examined the within report of the Treasurer and find the same correct.

L. J. TAYLOR,
H. J. ELAM,
R. C. PLATT,
J. R. BISSETT.

GENERAL FUND.

DR.

1896.		
Aug. 24.	To balance on hand last report	$ 61.21
1897.		
Feb. 1o.	To cash received from J. C. Michie, Secretary of Relief Fund, for Treasurer's Salary, 1897	15o.oo
" 1o.	To cash received from J. C. Michie, Secretary of Relief Fund, for printing, postage, etc	5o.oo
" 1o.	To cash received from J. C. Michie, Secretary, at sundry times, same beine for 5 per cent. deduction on Relief Fund orders, same being deducted by order of the President	1o8.95
" 1o.	To cash received from J. C. Michie, Secretary, at sundry times on account of advertising	29.25
" 1o.	To cash received from J. C. Michie, Secretary, donation of Rescue No. 1, Raleigh, on account Legislature expenses, etc.	5 oo
" 1o.	Cash received from J. C. Michie, Secretary, at sundry times on account dues	413.4o
		$317.81

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Sept. 17.	By cash paid J. J. Stone	Order No.	1 .	$ 12.5o
" 23.	" " J. C. Michie . . .	"	2 .	5.oo
Oct. 16.	" " J. D. McNeill	"	3 .	3.oo
" 16.	" " Miss F. M. Buie . . .	"	4 .	17 9o
Dec. 3o.	" " J. C. Michie	"	6 .	6.oo
1897.				
Jan. 12.	" " J. C. Michie	"	8 .	1o.oo
Feb. 1o.	" " T. A. Green, salary '96	"	13 .	1oo.oo
" 1o.	" " T. A. Green, Treas'r, postage . . , ...	"	14 .	5.oo
" 12.	" " J.C. Michie, Secretary, salary	"	5 .	1oo.oo

Feb. 12.	"	"	J. D. McNeill, expenses to Raleigh	"	9 .	2o.36
" 12.	"	"	J. C. Michie, expenses to Raleigh	"	11 .	6.oo
" 27.	"	"	Martin Newman . .	"	1o .	15.oo
Mar. 4.	"	"	J. D. McNeill	"	15 .	5.oo
" 4.	"	"	J. D. McNeill	"	16 .	39.19
" 24.	"	"	Martin Newman. . . .	"	17 .	13.25
" 24.	"	"	Educator Co., Durham	"	12 .	75.oo
Ap'l 13.	"	"	B. T. Amerson.	"	7 .	42.27
" 13.	"	"	J. C. Michie	"	18 .	5.oo
June 28.	"	"	J. C. Michie	"	19 .	5.oo
" 28.	"	"	J. D. McNeill	"	21 .	11.75
						$497.22
Aug. 2.	By balance on hand					32o.59
						$817.81

Respectfully submitted.

T. A. Green,

Treasurer North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

We, the undersigned Finance Committee, have examined the within report of the Treasurer, and find the same correct.

L. J. Taylor,
H. J. Elam,
R. C. Platt,
J. R Bissett.

REPORT OF THE STATISTICIAN FOR YEAR ENDING APRIL 1st, 1897.

Mr. President:

As your special committee to whom was referred the papers of the Statistician for the year to formulate a report to be submitted to the Association, I find reports from the following towns, viz.:

Goldsboro,	Gastonia,	Warrenton,
Murphy,	Tarboro,	Rocky Mount,
Enfield,	Salisbury,	Asheville,
Greensboro,	Fayetteville,	Wilson,
Chapel Hill,	Scotland Neck,	Edenton.

RALEIGH DEPARTMENT.

Chief, L. A. Mahler; Assistant, W. Woolcott.

Four Companies (Volunteer and Paid.)

Rescue Co. No. 1, Horse Hose Wagon, 25 men (white); organized ——; R. E. Lumsden, Foreman; W. A. Faucette, Secretary.

Victor Co. No. 2, Two-Horse Hose Reel, — men (colored); organized ——; T. B. Burgess, Foreman; W. H. Palmer, Secretary.

Capital No. 3, Two-Horse Hose Wagon, — men (white); organized ——; W. Woolcott, Foreman; F. Woolcott, Secretary.

Hook and Ladder No. 4, Two-Horse Trucks, — men (white); organized ——; W. W. Parrish, Foreman; J. T. Conell, Secretary.

No.	Hand Hose Reels	2
"	Hand Carriages	
"	Two-Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	1
"	Two-Horse Hose Wagons	2
"	Two-Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
"	Feet Rubber Hose	
"	Feet Cotton Hose	4,000
"	Feet Leather Hose	
	Total	4,000
	Value of real estate for fire purposes	
	Value of all other property, apparatus, etc	
	Total	
	Amount of Insurance on property partly destroyed	$ 9,500
	Amount of Loss	1,975

Apparatus not in use, one second-class Gould Steamer; one 2-80 gallon Chemical.

Water works, direct and towers; owned by private company.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 50 to 70; domestic, 50 to 70.

Gamewell electric fire alarm.

Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 29.

CHARLOTTE DEPARTMENT.

Chief, W. E. Culpepper; Assistant, W. B. Glenn.

Three Companies (Volunteer and Paid.)

Charlotte No. 1, Steamer, 17 men (white); organized 1866; paid.

Neptune, Hand Engine, 60 men (colored); volunteer.

Dread Not, Hand Engine, 30 men (colored); volunteer.

No.	Hand Hose Reels	2
"	Carriages	
"	Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	2
"	Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
"	Feet Rubber Hose	
"	Feet Cotton Hose	2,500
"	Feet Leather Hose	
	Total	2,500

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 1,500
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	4,000
Total	$ 5,500

Apparatus not in use, none.

Water works, stand pipe; owned by private company.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 80; domestic, 40.

Richmond fire alarm system.

Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 45.

KINSTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. D. Taylor; Assistant, George B. Webb.

Kinston Fire Co., Silsby Steamer, 75 men (white; organized ——; B. W. Canaday, Foreman; J. L. Hartsfield, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels	
" Hand Carriages	2
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	1
" Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Feet Rubber Hose	
" Feet Cotton Hose	2,000
Total	2,000

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 1,000
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc	4,000
Total	$ 5,000

Apparatus not in use, none.
Water works, river and wells; owned by ——.
Number pounds pressure for fire service, ——; domestic, ——.
No electric fire alarm.
Number of fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 0.

ELIZABETH CITY DEPARTMENT.

Chief, Fred. Zeigler; Assistant, Allen Kramer.

One Company (Volunteer.)

Albemarle Fire Co., Silsby Engine, 30 men (white); organized 1859; C. E. Kramer, Foreman; John Zeigler, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels	2
" Hand Carriages	
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	1
" Horse Hose Wagons	
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Feet Rubber Hose	1,200
" Feet Cotton Hose	
Total	1,200

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 3,000
Total	$ 3,000

Apparatus not in use, none.
Water works, two cisterns.
No electric fire alarm system.
Number fire alarms from March 1, 1895, to April 1, 1896, no record.

CONCORD DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. L. Boger; Assistant, R. Will Johnstone

Two Companies (Volunteer.)

Hose and Reel Co., Hand Reel, 21 men (white); organized 1886; J. V. Stiller, Foreman; G. C. Caldwell, Secretary.

Hook and Ladder Co., Hook and Ladder Truck, 27 men (colored); organized 1886; L. Stockton, Foreman; H. Montgomery, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels	1
" Hand Carriages	
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
" Feet Rubber Hose	500
" Feet Cotton Hose	1,000
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	1,500

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 2,000
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc	1,120
Total	$ 3,120

Apparatus not in use, none.

Water works, direct and gravity pressure; owned by private company.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 100; domestic, 25.

No electric fire alarm.

Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 2.

WILMINGTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, Martin Newman; Assistant, Charles Schnibbens.

Six Companies (Volunteer.)

Wilmington Steam Fire Engine Co No. 1, Silsby Steamer, 40 men (white); organized 1864; W. C. VonGlahn, Foreman; W. C. Craft, Secretary.

Howard Relief Fire Engine Co. No. 1, Button Steamer, 30 men (white); organized 1855; John H. Fuchs, Foreman; J. G. L. Greschen, Secretary.

Cape Fear Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 3, Silsby Steamer, 35 men (colored); organized ——; V. Howe, Foreman; Robert Simmons, Secretary.

Wilmington Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, Rumsey Truck, 40 men (white); organized 1847; Robert Northrop, Foreman; ———, Secretary.

Fifth Ward Hook and Ladder Co., No 1, Rumsey Truck, 30 men (white); organized 1875; T. J. Gore, Foreman; ———, Secretary.

Phœnix Reel Co., Horse Reel, 30 men (colored); organized 1882; Ed. Brown, Foremau; George Raiford, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels	
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	4
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	2
" Feet Rubber Hose	3,500
" Feet Cotton Hose	
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	3,500

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$15,000
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	25,000
Total	$40,000

Apparatus not in use, one Æriel Truck.

Water works, direct and gravity pressure; owned by private company.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 100; domestic, 40.

Gamewell electric fire alarm.

Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 108

NEWBERN DEPARTMENT.

Chief, L. J. Taylor; Assistant, G. J. McSorely.

Two Companies (Volunteer)

Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, Engine, Horse and Hand Reels, 36 men (white); organized 1845; W. D. Barrington, Foreman; G. D. Roberts, Secretary.

Newbern Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, Engine, Horse and Hand Reels, 34 men (white); organized 1865; F. B Lane, Foreman; W. P. Rue, Secretary.

Fourth Ward Hose Reel Co., Hand Reel, 27 men (colored); organized 1894; Alonzo Williams, Foreman; Charles Phisic, Secretary.

Fifth Ward Hose Reel Co., Hand Reel, 15 man (white); organized 1894; C. J. McCarthy, Foreman; P. Hassell, Secretary.

Rough and Ready Hook and Ladder Co., 28 men (colored); organized 1874; Sam Taylor, Foreman; Charles Kinsey, Secretary.

No.	Hand Hose Reels	4
"	Hand Carriages	2
"	Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	2
"	Feet Ruber Hose	
"	Feet Cotton Hose	3,100
"	Feet Leather Hose	
	Total	3,100

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 5,000
Value of all other proporty, apparatus, etc.	10,000
Total	$15,000

Apparatus not in use, none.
Water works, gravity and direct; owned by private company.
Number pounds pressure for fire service, 70; domestic, 50.
Gamewell electric fire alarm.
Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 36.

DURHAM DEPARTMENT

Chief, W. C. Bradsher; Assistant, Lee Simmons.

Three Companies (Volunteer and Paid.)

Durham Hose Co No. 1, Hose Wagon, 20 men (white); organized 1881; L. L. Chamberlain, Foreman; W. C. Tomlinson, Secretary.

Durham Hose Co. No. 2, Two-Horse Hose Wagon, 18 men (white); C. J. Markham, Foreman; Claud Turner, Secretary.

Excelsior Hook and Ladder Co , 20 men (colored); Fisher Bumpass, Foreman; Joe McAllister, Secretary.

No.	Hand Hose Reels	2
"	Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	
"	Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	2
"	Feet Rubber Hose	
"	Feet Cotton Hose	3,000
"	Feet Leather Hose	
	Total	3,000

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 9,000
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	8,200
Total	$17,200
Amount of Insurance on property destroyed	$ 3,900
Amount of Loss over and above Insurance	

Apparatus not in use, one 2-Horse Hose Reel and one 1-Horse Hook and Ladder Truck.

Water works, direct and gravity; owned by private company.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 150; domestic, 65.

Gamewell electric fire alarm.

Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 10.

WINSTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, John W. Hanes; Assistant, H. L. Reagans.

Four Companies (Volunteer and Paid.)

Steamer No. 1, LaFrance Engine, 18 men (white); organized 1879; A. J. Gale, Foreman; B. A. Johnson, Secretary.

Steamer No. 2, LaFrance Engine, 18 men (white); organized 1872; H. L. Reagans, Foreman; W. A. Eyler, Secretary.

Hook and Ladder No. 1, Hayes Truck, 16 men (white); organized 1892; P. N. Lybrook, Foreman; James S. Dunn, Secretary.

Hook and Ladder Co. No. 2, Hand Truck, 15 men (colored); organized 1892; Thomas Hairston, Foreman; Sam Hargrove, Secretary.

No.	Hand Hose Reels	2
"	Hand Carriages	1
"	Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	2
"	Horse Hose Wagons	2
"	Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
"	Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
"	Feet Rubber Hose	1,800
"	Feet Cotton Hose	400
"	Feet Leather Hose	
	Total	2,200

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$25,000
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	
Fotal	$25,000

Apparatus not in use, none.

Water works, gravity; owned by city.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 75; domestic, 30.

Gamewell electric fire alarm.

Number fire alarms from March 1, 1894, to April 1, 1895, 8.

MONROE DEPARTMENT.

Chief, S. J. Welsh; Assistant, W. C. Heath.

Two Companies (Volunteer.)

Monroe Fire Co. No. 1, Engine, 32 men (white); organized 1893; W. B. Heath, Foreman; Iredell Hilliard, Secretary.

Hook and Ladder Co. No 2, 25 men (colored); Mann Crowell, Foreman; Tom Robinson, Secretary.

No.	Hand Hose Reels	3
"	Hand Carriages	
"	Hand Horse Hose Wagons	
"	Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
"	Feet Rubber Hose	
"	Feet Cotton Hose	1,200
"	Leather Hose	
	Total	1,200

Value of real estate for fire purposes	$ 3,000
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	4,000
Total	$ 7,000

Apparatus not in use, none.
Water works, direct pressure; owned by city.
Number pounds pressure for fire service, —; domestic, —.
No electric fire alarm.
Number of fire alarms from April 1, 1896, to March 1, 1897, 2.

ASHEVILLE DEPARTMENT.

Chief, James P. Sawyer; Assistant, ———.

Four Companies (Volunteer.)

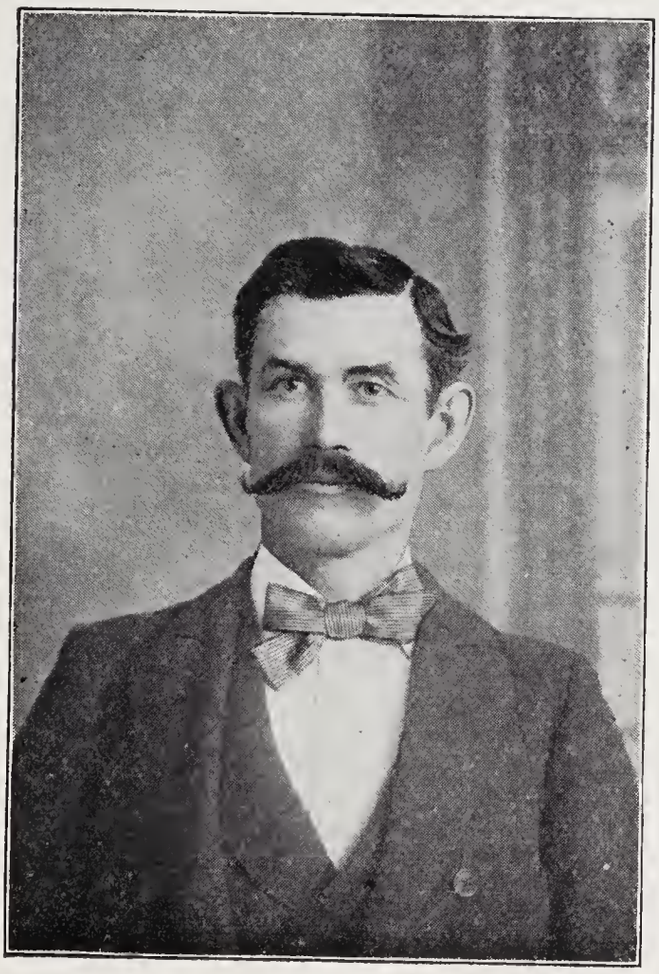
Hose Co. No. 1, Two-Horse Reel, Two-Hand Reels, 24 men (white); organized 1884; H. C. Pagg, Foreman; L. W. Jeanneret, Secretary.

Hose Co. No. 2, One Hand Reel, 5 men (white); organized 1889; A. F. Poor, Foreman.

Hose Co. No. 3, One Hand Reel, 3 men (white); organized 1889; J. R. Baird, Foreman.

Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, One Two-Horse Truck, 19 men (white); organized 1882; L. P. McLoud, Foreman; Harry Smith, Secretary.

No.	Hand Hose Reels	4
"	Hand Carriages	
"	Hand Horse Hose Wagons	1
"	Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1



J. C. MICHIE, Secretary.

" Feet Rubber Hose	3,700
" Feet Cotton Hose	300
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	4,000

Value of real estate for fire purposes	$15,000
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	5,000
Total	$20,000

Apparatus not in use, one Hand Reel, four Extinguishers (chemical), two sets of Patent Hames.

Water works, gravity; owned by city.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 94.2; domestic, 60.

Gamewell electric fire alarm.

Number of fire alarms from April 1, 1896, to April 1, 1897, 28.

WARRENTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, John S. Plummer; Assistant, ———.

Two Companies (Volunteer.)

Plummer Hook and Ladder Co., Hook and Ladder, 60 men (colored); organized 1868; W. A. Plummer, Foreman; Peter Collins, Secretary.

Plummer Engine Co., Truck and Hand Engine.

No. Hand Hose Reels	1
" Hand Carriages	1
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	
" Horse Hose Wagons	
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
" Feet Rubber Hose	
" Feet Cotton Hose	500
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	500

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 800
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	900
Total	$ 1,700

Amount of Insurance on property destroyed	None
Amount of loss over and above the insurance	

Apparatus not in use, none.
Water works, one cistern and wells; owned by city.
Number pounds pressure for fire service, 1000.
Fire alarm, bell.
Number fire alarms from March 1, 1896, to April 1, 1897, 1.

GREENSBORO DEPARTMENT.

Chief, Joseph J. Stone; Assistants, W. R. Pleasants and E. E. Bain.

Six Companies (Volunteer.)

Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, One LaFrance Engine, One Horse Hose Wagon, 25 men (white); organized 1847; John Lewis, Foreman; L. R. Andrews, Secretary.

Greensboro Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, Rumsey Truck, 16 men (white); organized 1890; O. D. Boycott, Foreman; J. E. Howard, Secretary.

South Side Hose Co. No. 4, One Hand Reel, 12 men (white); organized 1892; J. H. Phipps, Foreman: T. A. Glasscock, Secretary.

Eagle Hose Co. No. 7, One Horse Hose Wagon, 12 men (white); organized 1891; W. L. Cranford, Foreman; E. L. Clarke, Secretary.

West End Hose Co. No. 6, One Hand Reel, 12 men (white); organized 1894; J. A. Leonard, Foreman; R. L. Hollowell, Secretary.

Excelsior Hose Co. No. 2, One Hand Reel, 23 men (colored); organized 1890; John Patterson, Foreman; J. W. Jones, Secretary.

No.	Hand Hose Reels	5
"	Hand Carriages	1
"	Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	
"	Horse Hose Wagons	2
"	Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	
"	Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
"	Feet Rubber Hose	500
"	Feet Cotton Hose	3,500
"	Feet Leather Hose	
	Total	4,000

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 5,500
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	22,005
Total	$30,500

Apparatus not in use, one Double Tank Chemical Engine, two Hand Reels

Water works, one cistern, Holly and stand-pipe; owned by private company.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 70. domestic, 40.

Gamewell electric fire alarm.

Number of fire alarms from March 1, 1896, to April 1, 1897, 17.

WILSON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, Doane Herring; Assistant, A. P. Branch.

Three Companies (Volunteer.)

Wilson No. 1, Steamer, 25 men (white); organized 1890; W. P. Wooten, Foreman; J. R. McLane, Secretary.

Wilson No. 3, Reel, 23 men (white); organized 1894; W. T. Sanders, Foreman; Ed. Peeples, Secretary.

Red Hot No. 3, Hook and Ladder, 21 men (colored); organized 1892; Tom Day, Foreman; William Simpson, Secretary.

No.	Hand Hose Reels	3
"	Hand Carriages	
"	Horse Hose Wagons	
"	Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
"	Feet Rubber Hose	
"	Feet Cotton Hose	3,000
"	Feet Leather Hose	
	Total	3,000

Value of real estate for fire purposes	$ 3,500
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	7,000
Total	$10,500

Apparatus not in use, none.

Water works, ——— ; owned by ———.

Number of pounds pressure for fire service, 60; domestic, 60.

No electric alarm system.

Number fire alarms from March 1, 1896, to April 1, 1897, 23.

TARBORO DEPARTMENT.

Chief, W. O. Howard; Assistant, C. B. Mehegan.

One Company (Volunteer.)

Tarboro Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, Two Reels and One Truck, 38 men (white); organized 1873; A. A. Haynes, Foreman; C. G. Bradley, Secretary.

No.	Hand Hose Reels	2
"	Hand Carriages	
"	Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	
"	Horse Hose Wagons	
"	Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	
"	Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
"	Feet Rubber Hose	850
"	Feet Cotton Hose	
"	Feet Leather Hose	
	Total	850

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$10,000
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	2,000
Total	$12,000
Amount of Insurance on property destroyed	$ 3,850
Amount of loss over and above the insurance	165

Apparatus not in use, none.

Water works, both direct and gravity; owned by city.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 75; domestic, 40.

No electric fire alarm.

Number fire alarms from March 1, 1896, to April 1, 1897, 9.

FAYETTEVILLE DEPARTMENT.

Chief, James D. McNeill; Assistant, John Roddick.

Three Companies (Volunteer.)

Ghicora Steam Fire Engine Co., Steamer, 10 men (white); organized 1885; J. D. McNeill, Foreman; D. H. Jones, Secretary.

Hose Co. No. 1, Reel, 16 men (white); organized 1894; W. M. McKethan, Foreman; ———, Secretary.

Hose Co. No. 2, Reel, 16 men (white); organized 1894; D. H. Jones, Foreman; ———, Secretary.

Chicora Hose Co., Hose Wagon (Steamer Hose Co.)

No.	Hand Hose Reels	2
"	Hand Carriages	
"	Hand Horse Hose Wagons	1
"	Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	
"	Feet Rubber Hose	
"	Feet Cotton Hose	2,000
"	Feet Leather Hose	
	Total	2,000

Value of real estate for fire purposes	$ 2,500
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc	6,000
Total	$ 8,500

Apparatus not in use, Hand Engine and Bucket Truck.

Water works, stand-pipe 209 feet, gravity pressure, direct; owned by private company.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 90; domestic, 90,

No electric fire alarm.

Number of fire alarms from March 1, 1896, to April 1, 1897, 22.

ROCKY MOUNT DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. R. Bessett; Assistant, ———.

Two Companies (Volunteer.)

Rocky Mount Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, Steam Fire Engine, Hose Reel, 1,000 feet hose, 24 men (white); organized 1896; C. C. Cooper, Foreman; J. L. Arrington, Secretary.

Rocky Mount Hook and Ladder, 15 men (colored); organized 1895; ———, Foreman; ———, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels	2
" Hand Carriages	
" Horse Hose Wagons	
" Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
" Feet Rubber Hose	500
" Feet Cotton Hose	500
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	1,000

Value of real estate for fire purposes	$
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc	
Total	$

Apparatus not in use, none.

Water works, 8 cisterns; owned by city.

No electric fire alarm.

Number fire alarms from March 1, 1896, to April 1, 1897, —.

SALISBURY DEPARTMENT.

Chief, C. H. Swink; Assistant, M. V. B. Capps.

Two Companies (Volunteer.)

Salisbury Fire Department, Hand Hook and Ladder Truck, Four Hand Reels, 38 men (26 white, 12 colored); organized ——; C. H. Swink, Chief; Bismarck Capps, Secretary.

No.	Hand Hose Reels	4
"	Hand Carriages	
"	Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	
"	Horse Hose Wagons	
"	Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	
"	Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
"	Feet Rubber Hose	300
"	Feet Cotton Hose	1,900
"	Feet Leather Hose	
	Total	2,200

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 5,100
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.	2,000
Total	$ 7,100
Amount of Insurance on property destroyed	$ 8,050
Amount of loss over and above Insurance	9,850

Apparatus not in use, none.

Water works, direct pressure; owned by private company.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 70; domestic, 45.

Bell fire alarm.

Number fire alarms from March 1, 1896, to April 1, 1897, 9.

ENFIELD DEPARTMENT.

Chief, S. Meyer; Assistant, ——.

One Company (Volunteer.)

Enfield Fire Company, Hand Engine, 35 men (white); organized 1892; J. Benton, Foreman; Sam Pearson, Secretary.

No.	Hand Hose Reels	1
"	Hand Carriages	
"	Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	
"	Horse Hose Wagons	
"	Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	
"	Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	

" Feet Rubber Hose	300
" Feet Cotton Hose	
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	300

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc	
Total	$

Apparatus not in use, none.
Water works, wells; owned by ——–.
Number pounds pressure for fire service, —; domestic, —.
No electric fire alarm.
Number fire alarms from March 1, 1896, to April 1, 1897, 4.

SCOTLAND NECK DEPARTMENT.

Chief, I. J. Powell; Assistant, Yancey Allen.

One Company (Volunteer.)

Hook and Ladder, 18 men (colored); organized 1890; I. J. Powell, Foreman; F. Rolfe, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels	
" Hand Carriages	
" Horse Hose Wagons	
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
" Feet Rubber Hose	
" Feet Cotton Hose	
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	

Value of real estate for fire purposes	$
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc	175
Total	$ 175

Apparatus not in use, none.
Water works, direct and gravity; owned by city.
Number of pounds pressure for fire service, —; domestic, —.
No electric fire alarm.
Number fire alarms from March 1, 1896, to April 1, 1897, 7.

GOLDSBORO DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. W. Gulick; Assistant, F. W. Hilker.

Four Companies (Volunteer.)

Goldsboro Fire Co. No. 1, Hose Wagon, 15 men (white); organized 1882; J. W. Nash, Foreman; J. S. Wilson, Secretary.

Eclipse Steam Fire Engine Co., Hose Wagon and Engine, 18 men (white); organized 1886; F.W. Hilker, Foreman; W. B. Pate, Secretary.

Electric Reel Co., Hand Reel, 15 men (white); organized 1893; J. C. Derr, Foreman; W. D. Creech, Secretary.

No. Hand Hose Reels	2
" Hand Carriages	
" Hose Carts	1
" Hose Wagons	2
" Sibley Steamers	1
" Feet Rubber Hose	300
" Feet Cotton Hose	1,800
" Feet Leather Hose	
Total	2,100

Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 6,000
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc	10,000
Total	$16,000

Apparatus not in use, one Double Tank Chemical.

Water works, direct and gravity pressure; owned by private company.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 50; domestic, 75.

No electric fire alarm.

Number fire alarms from March 1, 1896, to April 1, 1897, 25.

CITIES HAVING ELECTRIC FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS.

Cities.	What Kind.
Charlotte	Richmond.
Asheville	Gamewell.
Wilmington	Gamewell.
Durham	Gamewell.
Raleigh	Gamewell.
Winston	Gamewell.
Newbern	Gamewell.
Salem	Gamewell.

CITIES HAVING FIRE COMPANIES.

	No. of Co's.	No. of Men White.	No. of Men Colored.
Asheville	4	57	...
Charlotte	3	47	60
Salem	2	40	...
Greensboro	5	67	23
Winston	4	43	15
Wilmington	6	140	65
Concord	2	21	27
Newbern	5	85	55
Wilson	2	24	18
Tarboro	2	40	68
Raleigh	3	67	...
Durham	3	40	20
Fayetteville	3	34	...
Goldsboro	3	48	...
Kinston	1	75	...
Rocky Mount	1	18	...
Salisbury	5	39	12
Henderson	1	14	...
Elizabeth City	1	33	...
Monroe	1	32	...
LaGrange	1	20	...
Warrenton	1	...	31
Statesville	2	25	30
Enfield	1	35	...
Scotland Neck	1	...	20

CITIES HAVING WATER WORKS.

	Pressure. Fire.	Pressure. Domestic.
Asheville, G. and D	150 lbs.	75 lbs.
Winston, D	70 "	35 "
Greensboro, G. and D	70 "	40 "
Tarboro, G and D	70 "	40 "
Goldsboro, G. and D	50 "	40 "
Fayetteville, G. and D	90 "	... "
Newbern, G. and D	70 "	40 "
Wilmington, G. and D	100 "	40 "
Salisbury, D	65 "	40 "
Salem, G	70 "	40 "
Concord, G. and D	100 "	25 "
Raleigh, G. and D	100 "	50 "

Charlotte, G. and D	100 lbs.	50 lbs.
Henderson, G	70 "	... "
Durham, G. and D	150 "	65 "
Wilson, G. and D	150 "	50 "
Rocky Mount	... "	... "
Elizabeth City	... "	.... "
Monroe	.... "	.... "
Statesville	.... "	.... "
Roxboro	... "	.... "

The following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That the thanks of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association be extended to Maj. W. E. Kyle, General Passenger Agent of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railroad for his valued aid in assisting the Association officials in obtaining a lower rate than we have ever before had given us. His marked courtesy and valued assistance is fully appreciated.

With Vice-President Parmelee in the chair. The President was recognized to express to the full Convention his personal appreciation of the valued aid and assistance rendered him during the last Legislature by Messrs. Thomas H. Sutton, D. B. Sutton, W. G. McCarthy, Robert Hancock, W. P. Wemyss, Spencer Blackburn, M. M. Peace and others, members of the majority, in defending our Association from the loss of our annual appropriation, which was threatened by a few misinformed and misguided members. He also expressed himself as under especial obligations to Chief Martin Newman, chairman of the Legislative Committee, and to Valentine Howe, President of the Colored Association, for their aid and services.

The Convention, by rising vote, extended to the President and all who assisted him its full appreciation.

Mr. Haar's motion to amend Section 4 of Article 3 of the Constitution having come before the Executive

Committee and brought before the Association, it was voted upon and unanimously adopted.

Mr. McCarthy:

In the Grab Reel Race, I don't believe that anything is said about where the coupling shall be broken. I want to know if we can break the coupling before we get to the hydrant line, or if we have to wait until we get across the hydrant line.

President:

It was the Executive Committee's request that this should come up before the whole Convention.

Mr. ———:

I do not think threads have anything to do with it. The plug must be closed same as in other contests. I think it has always been considered as simply "catch and go," make your run, grab and get water. I don't think threads have anything to do with it.

Mr. Chamberlain:

It was counted on me last year at Salisbury for the first time.

President:

I never heard of its being counted before.

Chief Orr:

You will find it in the rules that the coupling shall be made with two full threads. If we have ever counted threads I do not know it

President:

There seems to be something of it, and Captain Chamberlain wants it settled. He wants it taken out or enforced. My understanding has always been that it was a catch and go race. If you hold on you are all right; if you blow off you are gone.

The President was asked what the proposition was.

President:

It was simply to cut out "two full threads." It was brought before the Committee in order. It can be voted on now.

Mr. Capps:

If you rule one thing, you can rule another. That rule was ruled on the companies three years ago. It says you must have standard

coupling. You examine it at the hydrant, and that is the only place. The rules I have been ruled under were that in any race to show water you must have from two to three full threads.

President:

This seems to be the rule of the Association, just as I read it. The question to settle is, do you want to let it remain as it is and enforce it, or do you want to change it? Under our law you will have to present it to the Executive Committee. It has been done. You can let it alone or you can change it. Mr. Chamberlain wanted the thing explained. He is going in the race and will have a team in the race. He wants to know if the rule will be enforced. In some instances, Chief Capps says, it is. In some instances I know that it has not been upheld.

Chief Stone:

I move that the rule remain as it is.

Motion was not sustained.

Mr. McCarthy:

I want to know how it must stand with regard to putting on the nozzle. Can we put it on at any time in the race? My construction is that we can put it on anywhere.

Dr. Griffith:

I understand that the butt cannot be broken until you have passed the hydrant.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the rules as to the grab contest remain as they now stand, and that the judges see that said rules are enforced.

Chief Stone:

I think the construction of the rules ought to be left to the Executive Committee. If they say the nozzle must be put on at a certain point, it stands that way.

Mr. McCarthy:

I am not so much in favor of that thing, and I want to be on the alert If your team comes down the line and knows that you are going to rule that way, and know when they can break the coupling, and I come down the line and go on the other side, you will beat me.

Chief McNeill:

I will vote against this. This rule needs changing. You may appoint five judges, and they will construe that rule five different

ways. It is not a question for the Executive Committee. Take the rule and make it so plain that it cannot be misunderstood Make it two or make it four.

Chief Stone withdrew his resolution.

The following amendment was offered by Chief McNeill:

Company to run fifty yards, grab reel and run fifty yards to plug, unreel not less than forty-eight feet of hose, attach same to plug and throw water—drag rope to be up or down (optional with company.) Plug must be closed when company start on run, same as the Reel Contest. Coupling to be broken opposite or beyond the plug. Should butt or nozzle blow off, company to be ruled out.

Chief McNeill:

In regard to the steamer contest. I thought it would be of more interest if we could make these engines get into motion and run two hundred yards to a reservoir and throw water over a fifty foot line. In pursuance of that, I sent out a letter to every steamer captain asking him to give me his idea. The understanding was, I think, that the rules should be laid down as printed in the *Volunteer Fireman.* They are not absolutely binding, but are simply made up of a conglomeration of ideas, subject to change by all captains. That race takes place to-morrow, and all steamer captains are interested in it. I would suggest the appointment of a committee to revise and add to these rules as they see fit. We want to tote fair, and I would like to hear from the captains.

Chief Stone:

I thought that a clause ought to be inserted, saying "quality and quantity of fuel to be optional with engineer."

Chief McNeill:

In regard to the appointment of the judges, we have a rule that says we shall have no judge from a town that has a competing team. This Association is getting so big that if you stick to that rule you will have to take your judges from some little hamlet. This rule will get us all into trouble. We have been compelled to select incompetent judges because the competent men on the grounds, unfortunately for us, represented towns that had competing teams. In the first place, it is rather a reflection on our membership. We want judges of the very best character.

Chief Stone:

Mr. McNeill will remember that I made this very same fight in Salisbury, and I was defeated. I think this Association ought to select the very best judges and timers, regardless of where he comes from. I am willing for any honest man to judge on my team. The point I made was that he ought to be competent. In Salisbury, a man swore that one of the judges was looking at the water gauge when he ought to have been looking at the steam gauge. I think the whole thing ought to be stricken out.

The following was offered:

The captains of the competing teams shall select judges and time-keepers at each Annual Tournament, who shall decide each and every contest which takes place at said tournament. That no one shall serve as a judge in any of the contests who is not a resident of the State of North Carolina, and who is a member of a competing company, and the decision of these judges shall be final. That each team shall have a representative in the judges' stand while that team is racing.

Carried.

Moved that we go into election of officers.

Motion not sustained.

Mr. Daniels offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee, composed of engineers, members of the Association, number and appointment of the committee option of the President, be appointed to regulate a handicap in the Long Distance Steamer Contest, so that the smaller engines will be on equal terms with the larger engines in the Long Distance Steamer Contest.

Carried.

Dr. Griffith suggested that as all were tired, the Chair adjourn the meeting until an early hour that night, to come and work till 9 o'clock, after which there would be a reception given to the firemen at Chief McNeill's.

The Finance Committee reported on the Treasurer's report. On motion, it was adopted and ordered printed in the minutes.

Mr. Elam:

I think we ought to take some action in regard to ways and means. Our expenses are greater than our finances, and I move that the salary of the Secretary be reduced to $100.

Motion was declared out of order.

Moved that the Convention take up No. 7 in the regular order of business.

Moved to table No. 7 and take up No. 8.

Mr. Daniels:

The reason we want to take up No. 8 and skip No. 7 is that it is a long and tedious report, and there is not much profit in it. It is pretty much the same each year.

The following telegrams were read before the Convention, and on motion, were ordered spread on the minutes:

Jas. D. McNeill, President North Carolina State Firemen's Association, Fayetteville, N. C.:

Goldsboro extends a cordial invitation to the Firemen's Association to hold their next meeting here.

JOHN H. HILL, *Mayor.*

To J. C. Michie, Secretary North Carolina State Firemen's Association, Fayetteville, N. C.:

Sorry I cannot be with you this time. Convey to the Association collectively my best wishes, and especially to our worthy President.

MARTIN NEWMAN.

WILMINGTON, N. C., August 2d, 1897.

At a meeting of Cape Fear Steam Fire Engine Company, held on August 2d, 1897, the following testimonial was adopted by a rising vote:

In grateful recognition of the services rendered the firemen of the State by James D. McNeill, Esq., the President of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, and Martin Newman, Esq., ex-Chief of the Fire Department of this city, and Capt. Valentine Howe, President North Carolina Volunteer Firemen's Association, the Cape Fear Steam Fire Engine Company, No. 3, of Wilmington, N. C., desires to place upon record their appreciation of their efforts which have been so successfully made. To them they feel especially indebted that the annual appropriation granted by the State was not dimin-

ished. At a sacrifice of time and means they resisted an attempt on the part of some of the members of the Legislature of 1897 to decrease the amount, which, insufficient in itself, yet served as a nucleus to the attainment of a laudable purpose, namely: the partial care of firemen who are injured in the discharge of duty, or who, by reason of sickness, are unable to pursue their usual avocations. The zeal evinced by them in all matters which tend to the betterment of the organization of firemen meets our hearty approbation and merits our sincere thankfulness. The interest manifested by them in every movement that affects the weal of firemen has endeared them to the memory of every true and loyal member of the Department. Therefore be it

Resolved, That the foregoing sentiments of this company be spread upon our records, and that the secretary be instructed to transmit a copy, duly attested, to the Secretary of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, which convenes in annual session in Fayetteville on the third day of August, 1897.

SEAL

ISAAC BRINKLEY, *President.*
ROBT. SIMMONS, *Secretary.*

Capt. Valentine Howe, President of the Colored Firemen's Association, was invited to address the Association. He said:

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association:

I am not prepared to address this audience, and I hope I will be excused. I had not dreamed of being called upon to address this audience, and did not expect more than just the pleasure of being in your presence. We appreciate the action taken by your President; we appreciate it highly; we think well of it. I did not know these gentlemen till I went down to Raleigh last winter, but they took such an active part that I have felt more interested ever since. I don't know which of the two took more interest in this at Raleigh last year. When the pressure was great they were at the spot, and with my weak ability I did the best I could for North Carolina, irrespective of color or of company. The firemen of North Carolina are my friends, and I am the friend of the firemen. When I see that uniform and know what we have to go through with for the benefit of the citizens, then I feel proud of the individual who wears it, let him be what color he may. I have been a fireman for half of my life. The better part of my life I have spent in the service in the city of Wilmington. I have served in every capacity as a fireman, from fireman to President of our organization. I have had the honor of filling that position four terms now, and I hope that you gentlemen will keep your President each successive term for his services. I do say,

T. A. Green, Treasurer.

gentlemen, in his absence and in his presence, that he is the man in the right place, and I cannot help appreciating him because I know his worth. When many of us were not able to speak for ourselves, he was there to speak for us as firemen. People generally do not appreciate a fireman as much as they ought to, and as he is a fireman he could explain the condition better. It is very unfortunate for us that we are no orators, but give us a chance to talk and we will defend ourselves and get our appropriation a little larger next time if they don't chop us off. I think this is all I am able to say, and if I am ever called on again I hope that I will have an address prepared to deliver to the North Carolina State Firemen.

VOLUNTEER REPORTS OF THE FIRE ORGANIZATIONS.

WINSTON—Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1—In good condition; 18 men; two-horse truck.

Good condition; 20 men.

Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 2—

SALEM—Rough and Ready Fire Engine Co.—In good condition; 22 men.

Eagle Hose Co. No. 4.—In good shape.

CHARLOTTE—Fire Co. No. 1.—About the same as last year; 500 feet of hose as reserve.

Hose and Reel Co.—

NEWBERN—Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1.—O. K.

Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co.—All right; 2-horse wagon; 45 men.

DURHAM—Hose Co. No. 1.—In good condition.

Hose Co. No. 2.—In good condition; 20 men.

GREENSBORO—Steam Engine Co. No. 1.—Good condition; 4 horses; 17 men; engine and hose wagon.

Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.—Good condition; 13 men; will show what we can do.

Southside Hose Co. No. 4.—Twenty members; good condition; by this time next year will have a horse and wagon.

Eagle Hose Co. No. 7.—Twenty-five per cent. better than last year, both as to equipment and membership; 29 members.

West End Hose Co. No. 5.—Pretty good shape; 15 men.

RALEIGH—Rescue Fire Engine Co.—

WILMINGTON—Fire Engine Co. No. 1.—Fine shape; engine out of sight; 22 members.

Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.—Fine shape; 25 members.

Howard Relief Fire Engine Co.—Fine shape; 20 members.

Fifth Ward Hook and Ladder Co.—

GOLDSBORO—Eclipse Fire Engine Co.—In excellent condition.

Fire Co. No. 1.—Very well equipped; a bang-up company.

Electric Hose Reel Co.—Very well epuipped.

WILSON—Phœnix Fire Engine Co.—Not in practice; haven't any apparatus.

KINSTON—Fire Co. No. 1.—

ASHEVILLE—Rescue Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.—Good shape; 20 members.

Hose Co. No. 1.—Good shape.

FAYETTEVILLE—Chicora Fire Engine Co.—After this meeting will be in better shape than ever before.

MONROE—Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1.—

ELIZABETH CITY—Albemarle Fire Co.—

TARBORO—Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.—Apparatus not in best condition. New system of water works under erection, and hope to get things in nice shape when completed.

ROCKY MOUNT—Steam Co. No. 1.—Very good condition; 1,000 feet of hose.

SALISBURY—Fire Co. No. 1.—Fine condition.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention was called to order by the President.

Dr. Griffith, to whom had been assigned the work of adjusting the report of the Statistician, made the following report:

Your committee is glad to find that our old tried and true friend has not been direlect in his duty to the Association, and your committee recommend that the remarks made at our last session be eliminated from our proceedings.

J. W. Griffith,
Special Committee.

Moved and carried that the report be turned over to the Secretary.

Report of the Finance Committee was made, and on motion was accepted.

Mr. Taylor said:

There is one matter which ought to have been brought before this Convention. Heretofore steamers attending these contests have carried with them extra length of stack, and several times the judges have decided that they could not use this stack. I think it would be well to add to the rules of the steaming contest the amount of stack to be used, and I suggest that this Association embody in this rule that they only use the regular amount of stack that they use at fires, and not use any additional stack except what is carried on the engine regularly.

Mr. Gales:

I would suggest that we use no stack at all, same as we did in Newbern. This dispute came up about extra stack, and the judges decided and the competing companies agreed that they would not use any stack at all. It gives every engine a fair showing and a fair chance.

Moved that the stack on engines in all contests from this time forward shall not exceed two feet.

Mr. ———:

I have been informed by some of the Reel Companies that it is impossible to get three threads on this hydrant. If that is the case, something ought to be done so that we shall know how many we can

put on. If we cannot get three, the Association will have the belt on its hands. I would like to hear from some Fayetteville gentleman.

President:

Fayetteville has six threads.

Chief Taylor:

It is impossible to get three threads. We can't get more than two and a half. I don't think it is possible to make three threads on that hydrant.

Mr. Pritchett:

We have been using it with Fayetteville couplings, and we can get three or more.

Moved that the President and two others, he to appoint the others, be empowered to act and decide what would be called a connection.

President:

In case it is found that three threads cannot be gotten, the only thing the judges could do would be to call it a connection when the butt is screwed up tight.

The motion was carried.

The committee on Partial Disability made the following report, which was adopted:

We, your committee appointed on the Partial Disability Claims, respectfully submit the following:

1st. That each partial disability claim shall first be approved at a regular meeting of the company to which the applicant belongs, and certificate issued, attested by the secretary of said company.

2d. That no applicant shall receive more than twenty consecutive days benefit.

Joseph J. Stone,
W. C. Bradsher,
Wm. T. McCarthey,
John Haar,
W. C. VonGlahn.

The protest of Chief Schnibbens was withdrawn on account of the action taken by Mr. John Haar.

The following amendment was offered by Mr. Von-Glahn:

Resolved, That 5 per cent. be deducted from all claims for benefits, and placed to the credit of the General Fund to defray expenses of the same.

W. C. VonGlahn,
W. T. McCarthey,
W. C. Bradsher.

Mr. Peebles, of Greenville, S. C., was invited to speak to the Association. Mr. Peebles said:

Gentlemen, I thank you. It is a pleasure to me to be with you. I will state that we are on the verge of organizing an association in our State. I issued throughout the State a call for a meeting the last of this month, and we are stimulated in this direction largely by the North Carolina State Firemen's Association. If we should be so fortunate as to be able to get under way we hope to see many of you present at our meetings. I extend to you a cordial invitation, and assure you that you will be welcome at any time.

Moved that the Association return a vote of thanks (rising vote) to the gentleman for his kind invitation, and that we express to him our heartfelt wish that he may succeed in his undertaking. Carried.

Moved that hereafter all delegates that shall be elected by companies to any future meeting of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association shall be beneficiary members, and shall show on our beneficiary roll. Carried.

The Executive Committee made the following report, which was adopted:

Fayetteville, N. C., August 3, 1897.

The regular annual meeting of your Executive Committee was called to order by Chairman McNeill in the parlors of the Hotel LaFayette.

Messrs. C J. McCarthy and L. L. Chamberlain appeared before the committee and stated that they did not understand the rules governing the Grab Reel Race, and asked the chair for a construction, the committee decided to refer the matter to this Convention.

There being no further business, the committee adjourned.

Executive Committee.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The Convention now proceeded to the election of officers.

James D. McNeill was put in nomination, and on motion the nomination was made unanimous, and the vote was cast by the Secretary for President McNeill.

President McNeill said:

GENTLEMEN OF THE CONVENTION—Were I to fail to appreciate this honor, or express my thanks for it, I would be inhuman. It is a fact well known to all of you that not one word, thought or deed of mine could possibly have been construed into solicitation on my part for this office. For fifteen years I have filled positions of trust and honor here, where I am best known, among our fellow-citizens in this our city government. For the past four years I have filled the responsible position of Auditor of Finances, elected by the people, here. This esteem on the part of my fellow-citizens has been very grateful to me; but, gentlemen, when you, coming from all over North Carolina, from the mountains to the seashore, volunteer firemen, practically unanimously offer me this honor, my heart is too full for utterance, my tongue refuses to say more. I thank you. I have tried to serve you in the past; for the future I can only say that when any danger threatens our organization I will order out the last section of hose and the last reserve man in the whole department and turn on one more stream to hold her solid.

Nominations for Vice-President were now in order.

Mr. E. G. Parmelee was put in nomination, and the Secretary cast the ballot for him.

For Second Vice-President the name of Dr. J. W. Griffith was put in nomination, and on motion, the ballot was cast for him by the Secretary.

Nominations for Secretary being in order, Mr. J. C. Michie was put in nomination, and Dr. Griffith cast the vote of the Association for him.

Nominations for Statistician being declared in order, A. A. Hanes and M. V. B. Capps were put in nomination.

Mr. Capps was elected.

Mr. T. A. Green was unanimously elected Treasurer.

Chief Stone offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Association extend to the citizens of Fayetteville, President McNeill and the Fayetteville Fire Department its heartfelt thanks for the kind hospitality and many courtesies shown this Association during our stay in the city, and assure them that this meeting will be looked back to as one of the most pleasant and profitable ever held.

The resolution was adopted.

The selection of a place for next meeting was declared in order, and Greensboro, Charlotte and Goldsboro were put in nomination.

A telegram was read from the Mayor of Goldsboro, extending a cordial invitation to the Association to hold their next meeting there.

Mr. Chadwick, from Charlotte, invited the Association to go there on May 20.

Mayor Nelson, of Greensboro, made a few remarks, extending a cordial invitation to the Association to hold the next meeting in Greensboro.

Goldsboro was selected as the place for the next meeting.

Mr. Chadwick invited all the companies to take part in the contest in Charlotte in May.

Moved that the invitation to the companies to take part in the contest be accepted, and that thanks be extended for it. Carried.

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet in Goldsboro.

SECOND DAY--DAY OF RACES.

At 9 o'clock the entire membership was assembled on Hay street, each man at his post beside his apparatus, watching with breathless anxiety for the float which was to carry in the parade the seventeen beautiful young ladies who were to award the prize to the company who wore the handsomest uniforms. When at last this splendid float, drawn by four handsome white horses, loaded with sufficient beauty to sink the "Great Eastern," were beauty measured in avoirdupois, came in sight, then went up such cheers as Fayetteville never before heard. We did not imagine that seventeen such beauties existed in our State. This was a novel feature introduced by our most werthy President—one calculated to add tone to the Convention and one that should be continued.

The firemen will never forget the hospitality extended to them by the people of this historic old town, nor the bewitching smiles of its fair daughters.

When all was ready the march was taken up in the following order:

PARADE FORMATION.

1. President and Fire Chief McNeill.
2. Chief Marshal Maj. E. L. Pemberton and twenty-five mounted assistants.
3. Officers North Carolina State Firemen's Association in carriages.
4. Visiting Chiefs and Delegates.
5. Mayor City of Fayetteville and visiting Mayors.
6. Fayetteville Cornet Band.
7. Championship Reel Team, "Atlantics," of Newbern.
8. Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co., Newbern, N. C.
9. Atlantic Horse Hose Wagon, Newbern, N. C.
10. Newbern Horse Hand Reel Team, Newbern, N. C.
11. Newbern Steam Fire Engine Co., Newbern, N. C.
12. Horse Hose Wagon Co., Newbern, N. C.
13. Greensboro Steam Fire Engine Co., Greensboro, N. C.

14. Greensboro Horse Hose Wagon, Greensboro, N. C.
15. Southside Reel Team, Greensboro, N. C.
16. Eagle Hose Co., Greensboro, N. C.
17. Hook and Ladder Co , Greensboro, N. C.
18. Junior Reel Team, Greensboro, N. C.
19. Salisbury Reel Team, Salisbury, N. C.
20. Charlotte Reel Team, Charlotte, N. C.
21. Goldsboro Horse Hose Wagon Co., Goldsboro, N. C.
22. Wilson Reel Team, Wilson, N. C.
23. Durham Hose Co. No. 1, Durham, N. C.
24. Durham Hose Co. No. 2, Durham, N. C.
25. Independent Hose Co., Durham, N. C.
26. Adrian Steam Fire Engine Co., Wilmington, N. C.
27. Adrian Horse Hose Wagon, Wilmington, N. C.
28. Hook and Ladder Co., Wilmington, N. C.
29. Winston Steam Fire Engine Co., Winston, N. C.
30, Winston Horse Hose Wagon, Winston, N. C.
31. Winston Hook and Ladder Co , Winston, N. C.
32. Eagle Hose Co., Salem, N. C.
33. Delgar Reel Team, Sumter, S. C.
34. Delgar Horse Hose Wagon, Sumter, S. C.
35. Moxaghen Hose Wagon, Sumter, S. C.
36. Hope Reel Team, Florence, S. C.
37. Chicora Steam Fire Engine Co., Fayetteville, N. C.
38. Chicora Horse Hose Wagon, Fayetteville, N. C.
39. Chicora Hand Reel Team, Fayetteville, N. C.
40. Chicora Junior Reel Team, Fayetteville, N. C.
41. Float with the Chicora Team of Honor.

LINE OF MARCH.

Form on Hay Street; countermarch to City Hall; thence down Gillespie Street to New Street; countermarch to City Hall; thence down Person Street to Kennedy Street; countermarch to City Hall; thence out Green Street to Court House Square; countermarch to City Hall—(thus allowing the procession to review itself four distinct times.)

The parade dispersed at the Court House Square and the steamers entered for the running race contest. Here one could to some extent appreciate the enormity of the crowd in attendance on this occasion and realize that the Firemen's Association of this State is no small factor, and compares favorably with any volunteer organization in the United States.

The following is the order and results of the contests:

RUNNING RACE ENGINE CONTEST.

QUICKEST START TO FINISH.

ENTRIES.

Newbern Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1.
Winston Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1.
Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co., Newbern.
Greensboro Steam Fire Engine Co.
Adrian Fire Engine, Wilmington.

Judges—E. G. Parmelee, Wilmington; Jack Ellis, Durham; J. J. Adams, Winston.

Timers—William Ellis, Newbern; J. J. Nelson, Greensboro; Walter Holt, Fayetteville.

Starter—Dr. J. W. Griffith.

Time—Newbern Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, 3 min. 41½ sec.
Winston Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, 3 min. 49½ sec.
Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co., 4 min. 3¼ sec.
Greensboro Steam Fire Engine Co., 5 min. 12¾ sec.
Adrian Fire Engine, 6 min. 26½ sec.

First Prize—Newbern Steam Engine Co. No. 1.
Second Prize—Winston Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1.

QUICK STEAMING ENGINE CONTEST.

ENTRIES.

Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co., Newbern.
Newbern Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1.

Judges—E. G. Parmelee, Wilmington; J. J. Adams, Winston; W. C. VonGlahn, Wilmington.

Timers—W. C. Bradsher, Durham; J. W. Gulick, Goldsboro; George Harden, Durham.

Starter—Dr. J. W Griffith.

Time—Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co., 2 min. 55 sec.
Newbern Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, 3 min.

First Prize—Atlantic, Newbern.
Second Prize—Newbern Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1.

DISTANCE CONTEST.

ENTRIES.

Winston Steam Engine Co. No. 1.
Adrian Engine, Wilmington.

Judges—E. G. Parmelee, Wilmington; J. R. Bissett, Rocky Mount; J. J. Adams, Winston.

Timers—W. C. Bradsher, Durham; J. W. Gulick, Goldsboro; Geo. Harden. Durham.

Starter—J. W. Griffith, Greensboro.

Distance—Winston Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, 239 feet 5 inches.
Adrian Engine, 218 feet 10 inches.

First Prize—Winston Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1.
Second Prize—Adrian Engine, of Wilmington.

HAND REEL CONTEST.

ENTRIES.

Chicora Hose Co., Fayetteville.
Newbern Co. No. 1.
Durham Hose Co. No. 1.
Charlotte Hose Cc.
South Side Hose Co. No. 4, Greensboro.
Salem Hose Co.
Durham Hose Co. No. 2.
Atlantic Hose Co., Newbern.
Salisbury Hose Co.

Judges—VonGlahn, Ellis and Adams.

Timers—Bradsher, Gulick and Harden.

Starter—Dr. J. W. Griffith.

Time—Chicora Hose Co., 31 seconds.
Newbern Co. No. 1, 32 seconds.
Durham Hose Co. No. 1, 33⅓ seconds.
Charlotte Hose Co., 33⅓ seconds.
South Side Hose Co., No. 4, 33⅓ seconds.
Salem Hose Co., 33½ seconds.
Durham Hose Co. No. 2, 34 seconds.
Atlantic Hose Co., 35 seconds.
Salisbury Hose Co., 38½ seconds.

First Prize—Chicora Hose Co , Fayetteville.
Second Prize—Newbern Co. 1.
Third Prize—Durham Hose Co. No. 1.
Third Prize—Charlotte Hose Co.
Third Prize—South Side Hose Co. No.

GRAB REEL RACE.

ENTRIES.

Durham Hose Co. No. 1.
Charlotte Hose Co.
Chicora Hose Co., Fayetteville.
South Side Hose Co. No. 4, Greensboro.
Newbern Co. No. 1.
Atlantic Hose Co., Newbern.
Salem Hose Co., No. 1.
Salisbury Hose Co.
Durham Hose Co. No. 2.

Judges—Jack Ellis, Durham; J. J. Adams, Winston; W. C. Von-Glahn, Wilmington.

Timers—William Ellis, Newbern; J. J. Nelson, Greensboro; Walter Holt, Fayetteville.

Starter—Dr. J. W. Griffith.

Time—Durham Hose Co. No. 1, 22 seconds.
Charlotte Hose Co., 23 seconds.
Chicora Hose Co., 23¼ seconds.
South Side Hose Co , No. 4, 23¼ seconds.
Newbern Co., No. 1, 25 seconds.
Atlantic Hose Co., 25½ seconds.
Salem Hose Co., No. 1, 27 seconds.
Salisbury Hose Co., 27 seconds.
Durham Hose Co. No. 2, 0 seconds.

First Prize—Durham Hose Co. No. 1
Second Prize—Charlotte Hose Co.

SECOND DAY OF RACES.

JUNIOR HAND REEL CONTEST.

ENTRIES.

Greensboro Junior Reel Team.
Fayetteville Junior Reel Team.

Judges—Jack Ellis, Durham; J. J. Adams, Winston; W. C. Von-Glahn, Wilmington.

Timers—William Ellis, Newbern; J. J. Nelson, Greensboro; Walter Holt, Fayetteville.

Starter—Dr. J. W. Griffith.

Time—Greensboro Junior Reel Team, 18¼ seconds.
Fayetteville Junior Reel Team, 19 seconds.

First Prize—Greensboro Junior Reel Team.

CHAMPIONSHIP HOSE REEL RACE.

ENTRIES.

Atlantic Hose Co., Newbern.
Newbern Co. No. 1.
South Side Hose Co. No. 4, Greensboro.
Chicora, Fayetteville.
Salisbury Hose Co,
Charlotte Hose Co.
Salem Hose Co.

Judges—Jack Ellis, Durham, J. J. Adams, Winston: W. C. Von-Glahn, Wilmington.

Timers—William Ellis, Newbern; J. J. Nelson, Greensboro; Walter Holt, Fayetteville.

Starter—Dr. J. W. Griffith.

Time—Atlantic Hose Co., 53¼ seconds.
Newbern Co. No. 1, 53¼ seconds.
South Side Hose Co. No. 4, 55 seconds.
Chicora, 55½ seconds.
Salisbury Hose Co., 56 seconds.
Charlotte Hose Co., 59¼ seconds.
Salem Hose Co., Blew off.

The Belt goes again to the Atlantics.

HORSE HOSE WAGONS.

Same Judges, Timers and Starter.

ENTRIES.

Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, Greensboro.
Howard Relief, Wilmington.
Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co., Newbern.
Newbern Steam Fire Engine Co.
Goldsboro Co. No. 1.
Durham Hose Co. No. 2.
Winston Steam Fire Engine Co.

Time—Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, Greensboro, 47½ soconds.
Howard Relief, Wilmington, 49½ seconds.
Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co., 50½ seconds.
Newbern Steam Fire Engine Co., 52¼.
Goldsboro Co. No. 1, 54 seconds.

First Prize—Greensboro Steam Fire Co.

Second Prize—Howard Relief, Wilmington.

HORSE HOOK AND LADDER.

ENTRIES.

Winston Hook and Ladder Co.
Wilmington Hook and Ladder Co.

Judges—J. J. Stone, Greensboro; J. O. Brown, Wilmington; Chas. Schnibbens, Wilmington.

Timers—John Nelson, Henry Ritz, Walter Holt.

Starter—Dr. J. W. Griffith.

First Prize—Winston Hook and Ladder Co., 60 seconds.
Second Prize—Wilmington Hook and Ladder, 64¼ seconds.

HAND HOOK AND LADDER CONTEST.

Same Judges, Timers, Starter as Horse Hook and Ladder Contest.

ENTRIES.

Greensboro Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1.
Wilmington Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.

Time—Greensboro Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, 33 seconds.
Wilmington Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1, 48 seconds.

First Prize—Greensboro Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.
Second Prize—Wilmington Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1.

INTERSTATE HORSE HOSE WAGON CONTEST.

Same Judges, Timers and Starter.

ENTRIES.

Delgar Hose Co., Sumter, S. C.
Wilmington.
Newbern No. 1.
Goldsboro Hose Co. No. 1.
Monnagan Hose Co. No. 2, Sumter, S. C.
Winston Hose Co., No. 1.
Atlantics, Newbern.

Time—Delgar Hose Co., 39½ seconds.
Wilmington, 46 seconds.
Newbern No. 1, 46¼ seconds.
Goldsboro Hose Co. No. 1, 47½ seconds.
Monnagan Hose Co. No. 2, 48 seconds.
Winston Hose Co. No. 1, 50 seconds.
Atlantics, Newbern, — seconds.

First Prize—Delgar Hose Co.
Second Prize—Wilmington.
Third Prize—Newbern No. 1.

FOURTH DAY.

INTERSTATE HAND REEL CONTEST.

ENTRIES.

Hope Hose Co. Florence, S. C.
Durham Hose Co. No. 1.
Delgar Hose Co., Sumter, S. C.
Durham Hose Co. No. 2.
Salisbury Hose Co.
Salem Hose Co.
Chicora Hose Co., Fayetteville.
South Side Hose Co. No. 4, Greensboro.

Judges—James D. McNeill, G. M. Harden.

Time—Hope Hose Co., 32½ seconds.
Durham Hose Co. No. 1, 32 3-5 seconds.
Delgar Hose Co., 32¾ seconds.
Durham Hose Co. No. 2, 33¾ seconds.
Salisbury Hose Co., 34¼ seconds.
Salem Hose Co., 36 seconds.
Chicora Hose Co., 36½ seconds.
South Side Hose Co., No. 4, 36½ seconds.

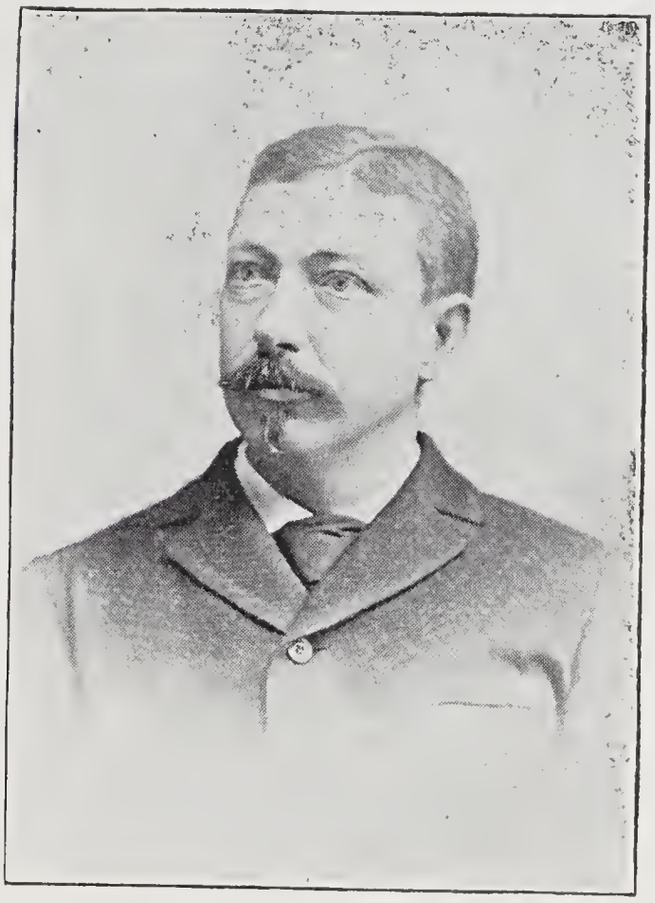
First Prize—Hope Hose Co., Florence, S. C.
Second Prize—Durham Hose Co. No. 1.

INTERSTATE INDIVIDUAL FOOT RACE.

ONE HUNDRED YARDS DASH.

Florence, S. C	George Holliday,	10 seconds.
	Ed. Stackhouse,	. . . . .
Salem, N. C	Charles Teshe,	. . . . .
Fayetteville, N. C. . .	George Branch,	. 10¼ seconds.
	—— McEachern,	. . . . .
Salisbury, N. C . . .	Bismarck Capps,	. . . . .
	W. R. Linton,	. . . . .

Run off—George Holliday, 10½ seconds; —— McEachern, . . .



E. G. Parmelee, 1st Vice President.

IN MEMORIAM.

GUY F. STYRON,
NEWBERN, N. C., September 20, 1894.

ED. B. ENGELHARD,
RALEIGH, N. C., February 9, 1895.

N. V. HERNDON,
DURHAM, N. C., March 8, 1895.

FRANK BRANAN,
RALEIGH, N. C., May 14, 1895.

CHARLES LEWIS,
GREENSBORO, N. C., June 17, 1895.

JOHN W. FINK,
CONCORD, N. C., July 15, 1895.

JOHN G. CAUKLE,
SALISBURY, N. C., July 20, 1896.

CHARLES WARREN,
DURHAM, N. C., June 10, 1897.

J. W. STAFFORD,
GOLDSBORO, N. C , —— ——.

RULES GOVERNING TOURNAMENTS AND RACES HELD UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE ASSOCIATION.

RULE I.

There shall be held annually an Association Tournament, at such time and place as the Association shall from time to time direct, at which Tournament, and no other, the championship of the various branches of the firemen's service shall be contested for.

All Tournaments shall be under the auspices of the Association, but the arrangements shall be made by the firemen and citizens at the place at which it is to be held.

RULE II.

SECTION 1. Champion prizes, other than money prizes, shall be the property of the Association, subject to their call and control, but will be in possession of the champion Companies until within ten days of the meeting of the Association, when it shall be returned to the Secretary, and by him put in safe keeping until the day of the races, and then he shall place the same in the hands of the judges of the race for which the prize is offered, before the Companies start in said race.

SEC. 2. This Association shall have the power to suspend any Company from participating in any Annual Tournament.

SEC. 3. All Companies, members of this Association, can contest for prizes at the Annual Tournament, unless suspended.

SEC. 4. All prizes hereafter offered for contest at the Annual Tournament of the Association, for which there has been no competition, shall revert to the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, to be by said Associa-

tion devoted to the purchase of permanent Association Championship prizes, to be competed for as provided for in the preceding section.

RULE III.

SECTION 1. The Captains of the competing teams shall select Judges and Time-Keepers, at each Annual Tournament, who shall decide each and every contest which takes place at said Tournament. That no one shall serve as a Judge in any of the contests who is *not* a resident of the State of North Carolina, and who is a member of a competing company taking part in these contests, and the decision of these Judges shall be final. That each team shall have a representative in the Judges' stand while that team is racing.

RULE IV.

SECTION 1. Any Company attempting to win a prize by fraud, deception or foul play, or in any dishonorable way, or who shall disobey or infringe upon or evade any of the requirements of these Rules, shall forfeit any prize won thereby, and shall be subject to suspension or expulsion.

SEC. 2. None but regular organized Companies, who have been organized as such at least thirty days prior to the Annual Tournament, and are members of this Association, can compete for any championship, and no person shall be allowed to run with or assist any Company in any contest who has not been a member of said Company at least thirty days prior to such contest.

SEC. 3. No Company shall be allowed more than one trial in any contest.

RULE V.

SECTION 1. Every person taking any part in any contest requiring running shall be required to start with his Company from the starting point.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Starting Judges to start each team by saying, "Are you ready?" after which a pistol will be fired or an electric bell sounded, and time taken from these.

SEC. 3. All contestants in races must be decently clothed, the Executive Committee to decide.

RULE VI.

SECTION 1. The Start and Outcome Judges in any contest shall, by means of flag signals, signify the readiness for a start prior to any run.

SEC. 2. Timers must be placed at the Outcome and time must be settled by them before reporting to the Judges, and they must report their readiness to Judges at Outcome before each team is started.

RULE VII.

SECTION 1. The names of the contestants in each team, and the names of not more than four substitutes in each team, must be handed to the Secretary of the Association prior to the contest, and such list must be accompanied by a certificate from the Foreman and Secretary of the Company to which the team belongs that such parties are actual members of thirty days standing in said Company.

SEC. 2. In case of a tie being made by teams in any contest the Judges shall immediately order such teams to run over, and said contest shall be the deciding run of such contest.

RULES GOVERNING HOSE COMPANIES.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP CONTESTS.

SECTION 1. Any cart capable of carrying 500 feet of regulation hose may be used, number not to exceed sixteen men and a Foreman.

SEC. 2. Hose race, wet or dry, distance to hydrant 200 yards, lay 300 feet of hose, uncouple, put on pipe, time to be called when pipe is dropped to the ground in dry run, and when water leaves the pipe in wet run, carts not to carry less than 350 feet of hose reeled into one continuous line, Companies not to exceed sixteen men and a Foreman.

SEC. 3. Center of reel of hose cart or carriage to be on the starting line.

SEC. 4. Pipe to be carried on cart or by pipeman from the start. Pipe shall be of such style or pattern as teams may select, *provided always*, they are suitable for active service. *No couplings other than standard screw couplings shall be allowed.*

SEC. 5. Sixteen men and a Foreman allowed in all Hose Races; no man to start ahead of leaders or to fall in and assist in dragging the apparatus after the start.

SEC. 6. No professional runner will be allowed to compete in any contest. The term, "professional runner," is applied to one who has or is following racing as a profession or means of a livelihood, and common reputation shall be deemed conclusive evidence of such profession, which shall be determined by the Executive Committee.

SEC. 7. All couplings used must be standard screw couplings, eight threads to the inch and adopted to two and one-half inch fire hose; the hose on each coupling not to be shorter than fifty feet.

SEC. 8. All work must be done by hands or spanner.

SEC. 9. Snap, spring and unproportioned couplings, or any attachment to couplings to assist in breaking or making, BARRED.

SEC. 10. When time is called competitors must step back for Judges to examine. Judges must chalk pipe and couplings before moving, then turn pipe off to see that it takes the required three turns to disconnect.

SEC. 11. That the Association, at its meeting previous to the time such Championship Race shall come off, shall elect three Judges, one Time-Keeper and one whose duty it shall be to take charge of the Race under the above Rules and report the results to the Secretary as soon as the Race is over.

HOOK AND LADDER CONTESTS.

Trucks to be weighed and one man allowed to every seventy-five (75) pounds—Captain and Ladderman not included with the running team, but to run in the contest.

Distance to be run one hundred (100) yards—unstrap and take off three ladders, raise the third ladder (which must not be less than thirty (30) feet long), man to ascend and touch top piece of ladder and descend, replacing all ladders and strap down. Ladders must be raised by hand—no hooks or poles allowed.

Ladderman must start from bottom round.

No less than two entries required.

No Truck Company will be allowed to form a Reel Team.

RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING MONEY PRIZES.

STEAMER CONTEST—QUICK STEAM—TWO TO ENTER.

Steamer to come to cistern empty and cold; to be filled with cold water until the engineer running the engine says "stop;" fuel to be furnished by the Judges, and must be the same as fired with in case of fire, (either wood or coal and not over one-half gallon of alcohol or oil.) Time to be taken from first appearance of smoke from top of stack, and to throw water 50 feet, through not less than 48 feet of hose. That the stack on engines in all contests from this time forward shall not exceed 2 feet. *Distance*—Steamer throwing water the greatest distance, with not over 100 pounds of steam, through not less than 48 feet of hose, size of nozzle optional.

HAND REEL CONTEST.

TWO TO ENTER.

Sixteen men and a Foreman allowed.

Reel not to carry less than one hundred and forty-eight feet of standard two and one-half inch hose; to be connected on the start as when ready for duty at fires, (three full threads or turns); to run one hundred and fifty yards, unreel not less than ninety-eight feet of hose, attach same to plug, screw pipe to hose, (any size nozzle), throw water in quickest time. The butt to drop opposite or beyond the plug, or Company shall be ruled out. (It is understood by "butt to drop opposite or beyond the plug" to mean that water from nozzle shall show at this point). The plug must be closed, cap on three threads, at the time of the Company's starting on run, and shall be opened by the wrenchman running with the Company. No straps or snap couplings allowed.

The hose must be let go as soon as attached to the plug. If the butt is blown off the Company shall be ruled out. No couplings shall be used without nipples.

No Company will be allowed to assist another. In the run, each Company is required to furnish a roll of its members to the Secretary of the Association on the morning of the first day, at as early an hour as possible. Ffteen minutes will be allowed each Company after the Judges' signal of ready, and any Company failing to start within that time shall be ruled out. Two entries required. No one allowed inside the ropes except the Company making the run. The Company making the best time wins the first prize. No Company allowed to enter more than one team.

GRAB RACE CONTEST.

Company to run fifty yards, grab reel and run fifty yards to plug, unreel not less than forty-eight feet of hose, attach same to plug and throw water—drag rope to be up or down (optional with Company). Plug must be closed when Company start on run, same as the Reel Contest. Coupling to be broken opposite or beyond the plug. Should butt or nozzle blow off, Company to be ruled out.

HAND TRUCK HOOK AND LADDER RACE.

Companies allowed one man to every seventy-five pounds exclusive of Laddermen and Captain. Must run one hundred yards, unstrap and take off three ladders raise the third ladder, (which must not be less than thirty feet long) men to ascend and touch top piece or round of ladder and decend, replace all ladders and strap down.

Ladders must be raised by hand. No hooks or poles allowed. Ladderman must start from bottom round.

Not less than two entries allowed. No Hose Company allowed to form or assist a Truck Company.

HOOK AND LADDER CONTEST—HOSE TRUCK.

TWO TO ENTER.

Companies allowed One or Two Horse Truck. Trucks to be weighed. Weight for one horse not less than 1,200 pounds, *exclusive of driver and men;* for two horses not less than 2,600 pounds. Horse or horses to be hitched to truck, and run three hundred yards; unstrap and take off three ladders, raise the third ladder, (which must not be less than thirty feet long), man to ascend and touch top piece or round of ladder and decend; replace all ladders and strap down. Ladder must be raised by hand. No hooks or poles allowed. Ladderman must start from bottom round. Not less than two entries allowed. No Hose Company allowed to form or assist a Truck Company. Only sixteen men allowed, exclusive of driver and Ladderman.

HORSE REEL RACE.

TWO TO ENTER.

Companies allowed the use of any four-wheeled Hose Carriage or Wagon, either one or two horse, to carry not less than 350 feet standard two and one-half inch hose; Carriage or wagon to be weighed; weight for one-horse not less than 1,200 pounds *exclusive of driver and men;* for two horses, not less than 2,600 pounds, *exclusive of driver and men;* the driver, buttman and coupling breaker shall ride on Carriage or Wagon, horse or horses to be standing hitched to Hose Carriage or Wagon, and run two hundred yards to hydrant, unreel not less than two hundred and eighty-eight feet of hose, break coupling and attach pipe and show water; water must show within fifty feet of two hundred and eighty-eight foot line; hose to be reeled on Carriage or placed in Wagon,

connected with three full threads. The plug must be closed at the time of the Company starting, and cannot be opened until hose is first started to be unreeled. Companies allowed five men in addition to those who ride, and can be placed in such position as desired. Time taken from first signal until water shows. If butt or pipe blows off Company shall be ruled out.

ONE HUNDRED YARD FOOT RACE CONTEST.

Men to run one hundred yards. Two men to be selected by the Captain of each Company. The one making the best time wins the prize.

OTHER EVENTS.

SACK RACE.

Contestants to be enveloped in bags to the neck, run fifty yards. All persons entering must run at the same time.

BARROW RACE.

To run fifty yards. Contestants to be blindfolded. The one coming nearest the mark wins the prize.

GENERAL RULES.

All contestants will be required to take part in the parade unless excused for satisfactory reasons. Same to be made in writing.

In no case will a second trial be allowed.

Each Company's run will be decided by lot.

Captains will select all Judges on the morning of the contests.

All competing Companies must furnish the Judges with weight of apparatus—to be weighed on city scales.

Companies wishing couplings—city standard, eight threads to the inch—will be furnished with the same on application to the Chief of Fire Department.

Hose will be furnished on day of the contest if desired.

No person will be allowed to enter any of the contests unless he is a *bona fide* member of the Company with which he enters.

N. B.—Judges must be governed by the above RULES, as no changes will be allowed under any circumstances.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly Convened:

SECTION 1. That C. D. Benbow, J. G. Fowler, H. J. Elam, A. T. Boyd, C. F. Thoms, J. R. Donnell, Charles Whittington and S. D. Wilson, of Greensboro; J. D. McNeill, of Fayetteville; J. T. Thacker, W. F. Kith, S. A. Sink, C. A. Shipes, F. H. Volger, F. C. Meinung, of Winston-Salem; E. B. Engelhard, T. W. Blake, F. H. Lumsden and F. Branan of Raleigh; H. E. Heartt, of Durham; B. J. Swinson, of Charlotte, and such other persons as are associated with them and their successors be, and they hereby are, constituted a body politic and corporate, by the name of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, and by that name sue and be sued, and prosecute and defend suits in all Courts in this State, and may have and use a common seal, and alter the same at pleasure. May take contracts and shall be capable in law of purchasing, holding and conveying any real or personal estate for the use and benefit of said Association or corporation, provided, that said corporation shall not at any time hold real or personal estate of a greater amount than ten thousand ($10,000) dollars.

SEC. 2. The purposes for which said Association is organized are: The protection and promotion of the best interests of the Firemen of North Carolina, the compilation of fire statistics, the collection of information concerning the practical workings of different systems of organizations, the examination of and inquiry concerning the merits of the different kinds of apparatus in use and the improvements in the same, the cultivation of a fraternal fellowship between the different Companies of the State.

SEC. 3. Said Association or corporation shall have power to appoint officers, hold meetings, to adopt a Constitution and enact such By-Laws in such manner as their Constitution may prescribe, and make such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry into effect the objects and aims of the Association, *provided*, that such Constitution and By-Laws, rules and regulations be not repugnant to the Constitution of the State and of the United States.

SEC. 4. That this Act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified the 11th day of March, A. D. 1889.

THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMAN'S ASSOCIATION.

PREAMBLE.

We, the members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, in order to form a more perfect organization, establish harmony of action, insure prosperity and success, provide pecuniary support, secure protection and promote the best interest of the Firemen of North Carolina, and compile statistics of information concerning the practical working of various systems, and the merits of various apparatus in use for the extinguishing of fires, also the cultivation of fraternal fellowship between the several Fire Departments of the State, do hereby establish the following Constitution and By-Laws:

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. This organization shall be known as the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

ARTICLE II.

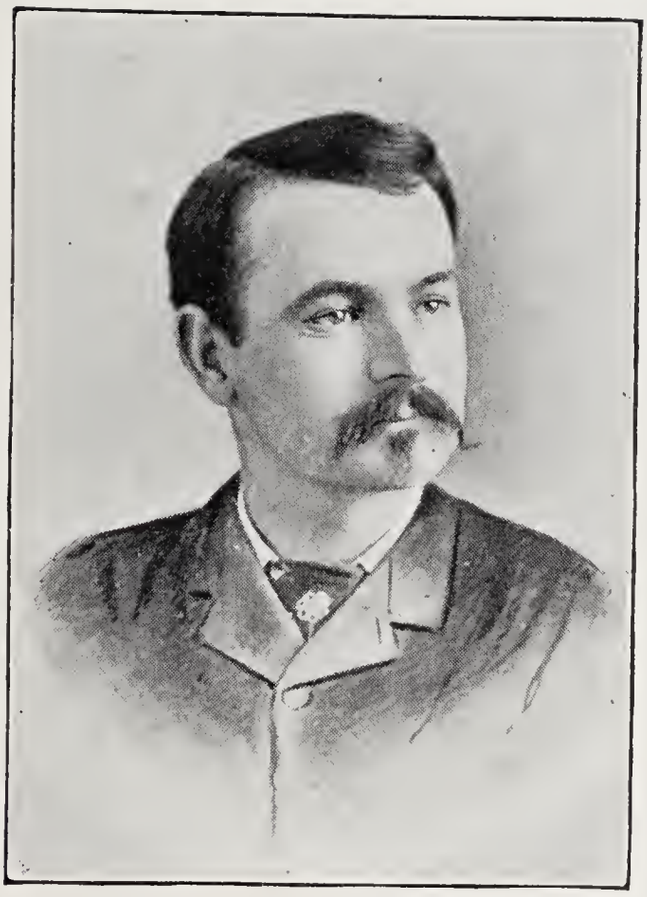
SECTION 1. The officers of this Association shall consists of a Presidents, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Statistician, and they shall constitute the Executive Comuittee, and will hold their respective offices for one year, or until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

SEC. 2. The officers shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Association by ballot, the successful candidate to receive a majority of the votes cast.

ARTICLE III.

SECTION 1. The members of this Association shall consist of the several Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs of Fire Departments, Fire Marshals, Superintendants of Fire Alarm Telegraph, and each regular organized Fire Company in the several Fire Departments of the State, said persons and Companies complying with the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of this Association; all individual members of such Fire Company shall, also, by virtue of their membership in such Company, be members of this Association for the purpose of participating in the benefits of this Association, and the funds distributed by it, so long as said Company remains a member of this Association and complies with the Constitution and By-Laws, and no longer. But should any member fail to pay his *pro rata* assessment, when called for, he shall be debarred from the privileges of this Association.

SEC. 2. Any member injured or made sick by disease contracted in the actual discharge of his duty, as a Fireman, shall be entitled to benefits from the "Firemen's Relief Fund" of this Association as follows: At the rate of two ($2.00) dollars while totally unable to attend to his ordinary business by reason of such injury or sickness, but such beneficiary arising from any particular injury or sickness shall not lose time longer than *one hundred* days from date of such injury, or beginning of such disability created by such sickness; but when partially disabled may receive $2.00 per day for not exceeding twenty days; but the Executive Committee may extend such benefits to the next annual meeting of the Association held next after the expiration of said period of one hundred days, and the Association at the annual meeting will, at its pleasure, determine the time for which such benefits may be received. That 5 per cent.



Dr. J. W. Griffith, 2d Vice President.

be deducted from all claims for benefits, and placed to the credit of the General Fund to defray expenses of the same. In case of death from such sickness or injury, this Association shall pay to the widow of the deceased $250.00 and $50.00 for funeral expenses, and in case the deceased should have no relatives, this amount shall be paid into the treasury of the Company of which he was a member. Every person or company eligible and desiring to become a member of this Association shall make application to the Secretary, and at the same time pay to the Secretary the prescribed membership fee, and thereupon, if such applicant be eligible, he shall become a member of this Association.

SEC. 3. Every Fire Company in the State, which is a member of this Association, shall, on or before the first day of August in each year, elect two delegates and, also, two alternates, to serve for the ensuing year, with the Chief Engineer and First Assistant of the various Departments as delegates at large, who are entitled to one vote each. They shall be beneficiary members of this Association and shall show on our beneficiary roll.

SEC. 4. All Companies represented in this Association must be in full accord and in good standing in the Fire Department where they are located, and if at any time they are not so, they shall forfeit all right to membership in this Association; but that Companies who retire from active service for a term of not more than two years shall be considered entitled to all privileges of the Convention.

ARTICLE IV.

SECTION 1. The annual meeting of the Association shall be held at such time and place, in each and every year, as the Executive Committee may select, at such as a majority of the members present of the Association

shall designate, and special meetings may be called by the President or a majority of the Executive Committee.

SEC. 2. A failure to hold any annual meeting at the time designated in the Constitution shall in no wise make a dissolution of the Association.

SEC. 3. The Executive Committee shall meet at such time and place as they may decide, on a call of the President or a majority of said Committee.

ARTICLE V.

SECTION 1. If any vacancy shall occur by reason of death, resignation of office or membership of any officers of this Association, such vacancy may be filled by the Executive Committee for the unexpired term for which said officer was elected.

ARTICLE VI.

SECTION 1. This Association shall have power to alter, amend or revise this Constitution and By-Laws, but it shall be necessary for a two-thirds vote of the members of the Association present *entitled to vote*, *provided* the proposed amendment shall be submitted in writing at a previous meeting of the Executive Committee.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the President to preside over the meeting of the Association and to sign all orders duly granted by the Association or Executive Committee.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to perform all the duties of the President in his absence.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a complete record of the proceedings of the Association,

to receive and answer all communications pertaining to the Association. To keep a roster of the names of the different Companies composing the Association and the individual membership thereof, and to collect the initiation fee and per capita tax, to pay the same over to the Treasurer, taking his receipt therefor. He shall receive as compensation for his service $200 per annum, to be paid quarterly by warrant on the Treasurer, signed by the President.

SEC. 4. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys collected by the Secretary and receipt to him for the same. He shall collect annually from the State Treasurer the amount appropriated by the Legislature for the Firemen's Relief Fund. He shall disburse no moneys except on order of the President or by instruction of the Association in annual meeting assembled. At the annual meeting he shall make a full report of all moneys received and disbursed by him, and shall execute a bond to the State of North Carolina to the amount of $5,000 to be approved and filed with the Treasurer of the said State of North Carolina, and shall make a detailed report to the said Treasurer of the yearly expenditures of the Firemen's Relief Fund. He shall execute a bond in the sum of $800 to this Association for the security of the General Fund, said bond must be approved by the Executive Committee. He shall receive $150 compensation as annual salary, to be paid quarterly by warrant issued by the Secretary and signed by the President.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the Statistician to correctly compile the statistics of each village and city in the State, of all matters pertaining to the fire service, annually correcting the previous reports, which shall include everything of interest to our Firemen, and be so arranged as to be comprehensive in its every detail. The expense of all printing, printed matter and postage

necessary in the sending for and receiving of such in formation to be paid by the Association, and he shal receive $25 annually for his services.

SEC. 7. The duty of the Executive Committee shal be to have published the proceedings of the Association to transact all business of the Association during th time intervening between the annual meetings, and the shall constitute a Board of Trustees for the managemen of all funds of the Association. At all meetings of th Executive Committee a majority of the Committee shal constitute a quorum, and a majority of such quorum may determine all questions.

ARTICLE II.

SECTION 1. Each Company shall pay a membershi fee of five dollars, and fifty cents per capita yearly there after in advance, for dues; and each Chief, Assistan Chief, Fire Marshal and Superintendent of Fire Alar Telegraph shall pay one dollar annual dues in advance The Secretary shall be exempt from the payment o annual dues.

SEC. 2. The annual dues shall be paid on or befor the first day of January in each year, in advance for th ensuing year. And all members who fail to comply wit this Section shall thereupon, and by reason of such fail ure, cease to be members of this Association and canno again become members except by a new application made in regular form, and paying the prescribed fee fo membership.

SEC. 3. Any individual or Company, members of thi Association, who, at any time, fail to act in a gentle manly manner, may, upon charges being brought befor the Association, be expelled from said Association by a majority vote of the membership.

SEC. 4. Any exempt Fireman may, upon the payment of two dollars and of the regular annual dues, become a member of this Association, with all the rights and privileges of any other member.

ARTICLE III.

SECTION 1. All members sick or injured in the line of fire duty shall be entitled to the benefits from the Firemen's Relief Fund of this Association as follows: At the rate of two dollars each day, while unable to attend to their regular business, as provided for in the Constitution. That 5 per cent. be deducted from all claims for benefits, and placed to the credit of the General Fund to defray expenses of the same.

SEC. 2. In case of death from sickness or injury received in the performance of fire duty $250.00, and $50.00 for funeral expenses.

SEC. 3. For the widow; in case there is no widow, to the children; if there is no child or children, to the mother of the deceased Fireman, the sum of $250.00, and $50.00 for funeral expenses; and in case there be no relatives, to be paid to the Treasurer of the Company of which he was a member.

SEC. 4. The Chief, or Acting Chief, shall certify before a Magistrate or Notary Public, on blank form, in triplicate, furnished by the Secretary, all particulars regarding each case where a benefit is required, accompanied by the certificate of the attending physician.

SEC. 5. Applications for benefits shall be made to the Secretary, in compliance with forms to be furnished by him for that purpose, and shall be made within thirty days after receiving the injury or contracting the disease complained of; but said time for making said application may be extended by the Executive Committee for good cause shown.

SEC. 6. The action of the Association upon all questions that may arise as to granting or referring relief and benefits, both as to amount thereof and the person claiming, and as incidental thereto, upon all questions relating to the right or claims of membership, shall be final and conclusive, and the action of the Executive Committee upon said questions shall in like manner and extent be final and conclusive until the same be changed by the Association at its annual meeting.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The presiding officer shall preserve order and decorum; all questions of order shall be decided by him, subject to an appeal to the Association.

2. Every member when he speaks shall rise, standing in his place, address the presiding officer, and shall omit personalities, and confine himself to the question under debate.

3. When two or more members shall arise at once, the presiding officer shall name the one who shall speak first.

4. A member when called to order shall immediately sit down, unless permitted to explain by the Chair. If there be no appeal, the decision shall be conclusive.

5. Every delegate shall vote, unless excused by the Association, but no delegate shall vote on any question in which he shall have a direct individual or pecuniary interest, and the President shall only vote in case of a tie.

6. The ayes and nays shall be taken and entered upon the minutes of the Association, if required by three delegates.

7. All business not provided for in these By-Laws shall be transacted according to the Parliamentary rules that govern deliberative bodies. Not less than the representatives of five Companies shall constitute a quorum.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Call to Order.
2. Presentation of Credentials.
3. Reading the Minutes of the Previous Meeting.
4. Collection of Dues.
5. Report of Officers and Committees.
6. Miscellaneous Business.
7. Volunteer Report of Fire Organizations.
8. Election of Officers.
9. Unfinished Business.
10. Installation of Officers.
11. Adjournment.

AN ACT CREATING A RELIEF FUND FOR DISABLED FIREMEN.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That the sum of $2,500.00 be, and the same is hereby appropriated annually, and shall constitute a Firemen's Relief Fund, but in no case shall the said appropriation exceed one-half of the license tax levied and collected by the State from Insurance Companies.

SEC. 2. That the Treasurer of the State shall pay the amount constituting the Firemen's Relief Fund to the Treasurer of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association on the warrant of the Auditor of the State.

SEC. 3. That the money so paid in the hands of the Treasurer of the said North Carolina State Firemen's Association shall be known and remain as the Firemen's Relief Fund of North Carolina, and shall be used as a Fund for the relief of Firemen, members of the Association, who may be injured or rendered sick by disease contracted in the actual discharge of duty as Firemen, and for relief of widows' children, and if there be no widow or children, then dependent mothers of such Firemen killed or dying from disease so contracted in such discharge of duty, to be paid in such manner and in such sums to such individuals of the classes herein named and described as may be provided for and determined upon in accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws of said Association. And such provisions and determinations made pursuant to said Constitution and By-Laws shall be final and conclusive as to the persons entitled to benefits, and as to the amount of benefit to be received, and no action at law shall be maintained against said Association to enforce any claim or recover any benefit under this Act, or under the Constitution

and By-Laws of said Association; but if any officer or Committee of said Association omit or refuse to perform any duty imposed upon him or them, nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent any proceedings against said officer or Committee to compel him or them to perform such duty.

SEC. 4. The Treasurer of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association shall give a bond to the State of North Carolina with good and sufficient sureties to the satisfaction of the Treasurer of the State of North Carolina in double of the sum received by him, said State Treasurer, for the faithful performance of his duties under this Act, and shall make detailed report to the State Treasurer of the yearly expenditure of the appropriation under this Act on or before the end of the fiscal year.

SEC. 5. The line of duty specified in Section 3 shall not be so constructed as to mean any other duty except actual fire duty, which shall consist of service in the Fire Department from the time of the Fire Alarm until the members are dismissed by the Company officers at roll call; also any actual duty connected with the Fire Department when directed to perform the same by the officer in charge.

SEC. 6. That any Fireman of good moral character in North Carolina, and belonging to an organized Fire Company, who will comply with the requisitions of the Constitution and By-Laws of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, may become a member of said Association, and any organized Fire Company in North Carolina, holding itself ready for duty, may, upon compliance with the requisitions of said Constitution and By-Laws, beceme a member of said North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

SEC. 7. That the provisions of this Act shall apply to any Fireman who is a member of a regularly organized Fire Company.

SEC. 8. That this Act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 6th day of March, A. D., 1891.

AMENDMENT.

An Act of the last Legislature reads as folllows : (See page 41, Proceedings of 1893.)

An Act to Amend Section 2, Chapter 868, Laws 1891.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact :

SECTION 1. That Section 2, Chapter 468, Laws 1891, be amended to read as follows :

SEC. 2. That the Treasurer of the State shall pay the amount constituting the Firemen's Relief Fund on the warrant of the Auditor, three-fourths to the Treasurer of the North Carolina State Volunteer Firemen's Association properly chartered by law. That the said Treasurer of the North Carolina State Volunteer Firemen's Association shall give bond, and the said Association shall disburse the funds in the same manner and under the same rules as the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

SEC. 3. That this Act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified March 6th, A. D., 1893.

AMENDMENT.

An Act to amend Section 2, Chapter 474 of the Laws of 1873.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That Section 2, Chapter 474 of Laws 1893, be amended as follows:

That the words three-fourths in line three, of said Section be stricken out and the words one-fourth be inserted in lieu thereof.

SEC. 2. That this Act be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 28th day of February, A. D, 1895.

MEMBERSHIP.

LIST OF COMPANIES MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR 1897–'98.

Rescue Hook and Ladder Co.	Asheville	Department.
Hose Co. No. 1	"	"
Charlotte Fire Co. No. 1	Charlotte	"
Charlotte Reel Team	"	"
Eagle Hose Co. No. 4	Salem	"
Rough and Ready Fire Co.	"	"
Eagle Hose Co. No. 7	Greensboro	"
Greensboro Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
South Side Hose Co. No. 4	"	"
Greensboro Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	"	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 2	Winston	"
Winston Fire Co No. 1	"	"
Winston Hook and Ladder Co.	"	"
Howard Relief Fire Engine Co.	Wilmington	"
Wilmington Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	"	"
Fifth Ward Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	"	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
Concord Hose and Reel Co.	Concord	"
Newbern Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Newbern	"
Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
Fifth Ward Reel Co	"	"
Phœnix Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Wilson	"
Wilson Fire Co. No. 1	"	"
Tarboro Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	Tarboro	"
Rescue Steam Fire Engine Co.	Raleigh	"
Capital Hose Co.	"	"
W. R. Womble Hook and Ladder Co.	"	"
Durham Hose Co No. 1	Durham	"
Durham Hose Co. No. 2	"	"
Chicora Steam Fire Engine Co No. 1	Fayetteville	"
Goldsboro Fire Co. No. 1	Goldsboro	"
Eclipse Steam Fire Engine Co.	"	"
Electric Reel Co.	"	"
Rescue Steam Fire Engine Co. No 1	Kinston	"
Rocky Mount Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Rocky Mount	"
Salisbury Fire Co. No. 1	Salisbury	"
Nelson Hose Co. No. 1	Henderson	"
Albemarle Fire Co.	Elizabeth City	"
Monroe Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Monroe	"

LIST OF CHIEFS AND ASSISTANT CHIEFS OF DEPARTMENTS REPRESENTED IN THE ASSOCIATION.

Chief, Jas. P. Sawyer Assistant, —— ——	Asheville Department.
Chief, W. B. Glenn Assistant, —— ——	Charlotte "
Chief, F. C. Meinnung Assistant, W. C. Grunnett	Salem "
Chief, J. J. Stone Assistant, J. H. Phipps	Greensboro "
Chief, J. W. Haynes Assistant, H. L. Riggans	Winston "
Chief, Chas. Schnibbens Assistant, —— ——	Wilmington "
Chief, J. L. Boger Assistant, R. Will Johnson	Concord "
Chief, L. J. Taylor Assistant, —— ——	Newbern "
Chief, Dean Herring Assistant, A. P. Branch	Wilson "
Chief, C. B. Mehegan Assistant, M. T. Gwaltney	Tarboro "
Chief, L. A. Mahler Assistant, W. Woolcott	Raleigh "
Chief, W. C. Bradsher Assistant, Lee Simmons	Durham "
Chief, J. D. McNeill Assistant, John Roddick	Fayetteville "
Chief, J W. Gulick Assistant, F. W. Hilker	Goldsboro "
Chief, J. D. Taylor Assistant, —— ——	Kinston "
Chief, J. R. Bissett Assistant, —— ——	Rocky Mount "
Chief, G G. Seyffert Assistant, M. V. B. Capps	Salisbury "
Chief, O. T. Jones Assistant, —— ——	Henderson "
Chief, A. K. Kramer Assistant, Chas. Spiers	Elizabeth City "
Chief, T. J. Welsh Assistant. Capt. W. C. Heath	Monroe "

COMPANY AND DEPARTMENT MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR 1897–'98.

RESCUE HOOK AND LADDER CO. No. 1, ASHEVILLE.

L. P. McLoud,
E. M. Isreal,
J. S. Fullman,
H. R. Smith, Sec.,
C. L. Badger,
R. H. Luther,
W. A. Ward,
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PROCEEDINGS.

The Tenth Annual Convention of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association was convened in the Opera House, at Goldsboro, on Tuesday, July 26th, 1898.

MORNING SESSION.

The Convention was called to order at 12 o'clock by President McNeill, and was opened by prayer by Rev. F. W. Faires, who invoked the blessing of God in the following:

Our Heavenly Father, we come into Thy presence this morning and acknowledge our dependence upon Thee, and ask Thee for Thy blessing. We come to Thee for the protection that we need, and which we would ask Thee to exercise over us. We would ask that Thy blessing and mercy may follow us all the days of our lives. We come before Thee this morning begging for Thy mercy, and we ask that Thy rich blessing may rest on this Association which is assembled in this place. We pray that thou would give to them all needed grace for all their deliberations, and that thou wouldst approve of all their conclusions. We pray Thee that in all the friendly environments and competitions in which they will be engaged nothing of jealousy or hatred will arise to mar the good fellowship and comradeship in which they are to meet. We thank Thee, our Heavenly Father, for the good that they have accomplished in time past. We bless Thee for the courage which thou hast given them in times of peril and danger: we thank Thee for all the rescues which they have accomplished; we thank Thee for all the property and all the life which they have saved. And we pray, our Heavenly Father, that as they are now met together that their meeting may tend to perfect them more fully for the beneficent work in which they are engaged: and as Thou hast been with them in the past, we pray Thee to be with them still, and to grant unto them all the needed strength and power and wisdom for the discharge of the daily duties that devolve upon them. We pray Thee that as they are engaged in their beneficent work, that they may be brought nearer to Thee and made

partakers of the great salvation which is in Christ Jesus. We pray for our President, we pray that wisdom may be given all our rulers and to our Legislators during this chrisis in history through which we are passing. We pray Thee that thou wilt keep Thy shield and Thy protection around and about them, and around and about all who are now striving to maintain our government and extend the realm of freedom and bring liberty unto those who are suffering. Hasten the time when war shall cease; hasten the time when peace shall prevail throughout all the world. Now, O God, wilt thou let Thy blessing rest upon this Association, and do thou grant, we pray Thee, that this meeting may be a very profitable one to them, and may nothing occur which will bring dishonor to their name and to our God and Father. All this we ask for Christ's sake, Amen.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

The following Address of Welcome was delivered by Col. A. C. Davis, of Goldsboro:

Ladies and Gentlemen, members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association:

Goldsboro greets you today. Not only our Fire Companies, but all our people extend both hands to you in warmest welcome, and in our hearts we rejoice in your presence and are grateful to you for assembling within our gates to hold the annual tournament and celebration of this State Firemen's Association, one of the best organizations that ever flourished within the borders of our beloved North Carolina. We are proud of Goldsboro and her institutions, we are proud of our merchants and our financiers, we are proud of our newspapers, always loyal to the interests of our people, we are proud of our factories whose ever busy wheels give constant employment to so many willing hands of honest labor; we are proud of our graded school, whose doors are thrown wide open to the children of the rich and the chidren of the poor; we are proud of our Goldsboro Rifles who bade adieu to home and kindred and marched away for the cause of human freedom; but while we feel the greatest pride in all these, in none of them do we feel a greater pride than we do in our own fire company, our brave firemen. And, gentlemen of North Carolina State Firemen's Association, in being proud of our own firemen, we are proud of you, for you are all engaged in the same noble work and belong to the same splendid State Firemen's Association; yea, firemen are brethren. From the log cabins

where our ancestors went forth, fathers and sons, who bought with their blood and their lives the greatest government known to man since Adam and Eve walked hand in hand amid Eden's bowers and basked in the approving smile of Almighty God. And in about half a century from the birthday of American freedom, the decendants of the Revolutionary fathers marched beyond the Rio Grande and poured out their life blood upon the battlefields of Mexico, put to flight the Mexican armies and unfurled over mountain and plain the glorious banner of our American republic. A few years afterwards, in the great struggle between the North and South, the soldiers of the Confederate army, by their deeds of heroism, amazed the world, and in our present war between the United States and the Kingdom of Spain, our own soldiers and seamen have by their acts of courage and bravery won the respect and admiration of all mankind. Though we go back to the misty ages before the wise men followed the star which rested over the stable in Bethlehem in Judea, and Leonidas and his little band of Greeks immortalized themselves by defending the pass at Thermoylae, after the proud Roman conguests, the mighty Cæsar's invincible Tenth Legion which swept all the world before, long after all the angels of God had sung "Peace on earth, good will to men," we recall the great battle of Waterloo and the mighty Napoleon and as the Old Guard approached the supreme moment, "the Old Guard dies but never surrenders," down to the heroism of the great Hobson at Santiago, in all the annals of the ages we can find no braver deeds of heroism than have been enacted by the American firemen. The scores of firemen who lost their lives in the great Boston fire, in the great Chicago fire, and the thousands of other conflagrations, attest to the bravery and self-sacrifice and the heroism of American firemen. Nearly every village and town and city in this great land of ours can point with pride to the heroic deeds of the men who battled with the furies of the flames in order to protect the lives and property of their fellowmen.

Firemen are benefactors to the world. Every house consumed by the flames represents so much capital taken away forever from the service and gratification of mankind. The good therefore that has been accomplished by the work of firemen, places this calling in the forefront of the world's benefactions. I adjure you to magnify your calling. Every true fireman is a manly man. Cowards do not risk their lives to save the lives of others. I care not how rough the exterior of the man who fights the flames, within his bosom beats a brave and manly heart, a heart that feels for the woes of others, a heart that believes in the great Fatherhood of God and Brotherhood of Man. You are the watchmen upon the walls, ever ready to rush to the scene of danger and distress. You guard our homes and releive us from anxious care. All praise to

the noble men of the hook and ladder, of the engine and reel. You are welcome, thrice welcome to our city. Our homes and our hearts are yours.

Response by President McNeill:

Mr. Speaker, Mr. Mayor Ladies and Gentlemen:

It was my intention and it was my duty to appoint some silver-tongue fireman to frame a fitting response to your generous words of welcome so graciously presented by Col. Davis, but the multitude of troubles in which I have been in the last few days, and the circumstances that encompassed this tournament, have caused me to neglect to do my duty.

In behalf of my brother firemen, I wish to return our thanks and appreciation for your kind words of welcome. The North Carolina State Firemen's Association has met in nearly all of the principal cities of North Carolina. We first met in 1888 in the progressive city of Greensboro: from there we went to our Capitol City; from there to the Queen City of North Carolina, Charlotte; from there to the progressive, live, wide-awake, active, tobacco town of Durham, from there we went to the Land of the Sky, Asheville. At that place the Wilmington delegation insisted that we should go there and we held our next meeting at the seaboard metropolis; from there we went to the twin-city of Winston-Salem; from there to good old Newberne; from there to Salisbury; from there to Fayetteville, and from there to Goldsboro. I can truthfully say, and I say it with pleasure and pride, that in none of these places have we met with a more liberal response or reception, or had a more cordial welcome than we have had here. No one can regret more than I do the serious trouble we have had within the last few days, and if I may be allowed to so express myself, the outrageous conduct of one line of railway in refusing the firemen of Western North Carolina free transportation of apparatus, a courtesy that has never before been denied. But we are here, and could the departments of Asheville, Salisbury, Greensboro, Concord, and all the western departments been here, we would have given an exhibition well worthy of any city or state in the Union. We feel satisfied that our exhibition will interest your people, and we hope that our visit here may be as pleasant to you and your people as we know it will be pleasant to us. Again I thank you.

Mayor Peterson was next introduced, and extended the hospitality of the city of Goldsboro in a few appropriate words:

Mr. President, Ladies, Gentlemen of the State Firemen's Association of North Carolina:

Our people have looked forward with great pleasure to your coming in our midst, and when we recently learned that there might be certain complications or difficulties arising from some certain railroads in North Carolina that might hinder your coming to be with us, we felt like we would like to live in the twentieth century, when there might be some other mode of transportation, when we might rise into an atmosphere above utter selfishness, where no official could say to us that he feared the penalty of a Railroad Commission.

As Mayor of the city of Goldsboro, I extend to you a hearty and a cordial welcome. It is said that when the city of Rome was on fire and the flames were roaring and crackling, Nero amused himself by the music of his fiddle. I want to say to you volunteer firemen that you are more worthy than he was, and that you show more nobility. For in the silent watches of the night, when all are in the embrace of sleep, when there is no watchman on the watchtower save the faithful policeman, you are there, always ready, you rush forth from your homes amid the storm and the tempest that are about, that you may protect life and property and be of service to your fellowmen. I say that you show more nobility in this than Nero did at Rome. I want to say to you that in the face of such heroism as this, our people appreciate you [Unusual noise from escaping steam from a locomotive standing in front of Opera House]. It is hard to buck against a railroad train, on the Southern road, too.) I want to say this, that you are welcome to our city. We want to extend to you every possible courtesy, and I want to extend to you every pessible and proper liberty, in behalf of the people of the city. You are welcome, every visiting fireman, every visitor within our gates. We shall vie with each other in our efforts to make your visit pleasant.

Mr. Douglas said:

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen of Goldsboro. My Brother Firemen:

I arise at the request of our President to respond on behalf of this Association to the kind welcome just extended to us by His Honor, the Mayor of this city.

And it is with the greatest pleasure that I do so, for not only in word but also in deed have you shown us that our coming was welcome and that our stay will be pleasant.

We are indeed sorry, Ladies and Gentlemen of Goldsboro, that many of our absent brethren cannot be here to-day to listen to your kind words of welcome and partake with us of your generous hospitality. But powers over whom, unfortunately for ourselves and I may add just as present fortunately for themselves, we have no control have it seems decreed otherwise.

But I am glad to say that public opinion has hurled back with the force of a boomerang the stick which corporate power had flung at our heads for its own selfish ends.

Those who could come are with you: those who could not come are also with you in desire and sympathy. Our lack of numbers does not mean a lack of enthusiasm in our cause or a lack of appreciation for the efforts you have made to render this tournament a success. And I hope and trust that when our business is concluded, our contests lost and won, and we have gone back to our homes in the mountains or by the sea, that your recollections of this occasion will be as pleasant as ours.

Again, Mr. Mayor and Ladies and Gentlemen of Goldsboro, in the name of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, I thank you for your honest, generous welcome.

President McNeill announced that the meetings were open to any who might desire to attend, and invited the people of Goldsboro to come.

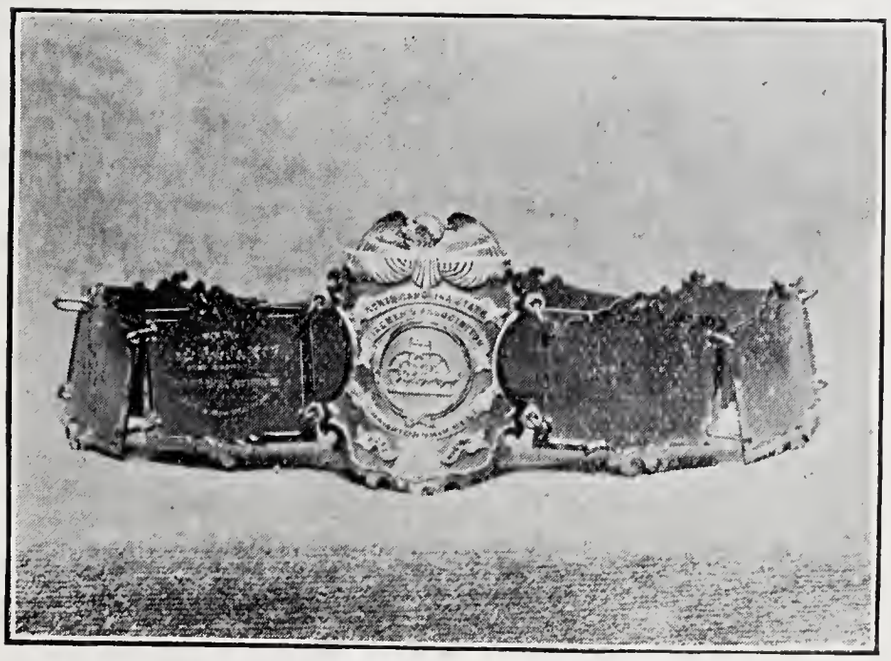
On motion, the President appointed the following Committee on Credentials:

L. L. Chamberlain, Durham.
R. D. Douglas, Greensboro.
A. J. Gales, Winston.

A recess was taken for representatives to hand in their credentials.

The Convention being called to order it was moved that the rules governing the Hook and Ladder Contest be suspended for this occasion, and that two entries be not required. Carried.

Moved in as much as there would be but one hook and ladder company present, that if the Asheville Company should be allowed to run against time and if it should



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lower the record, it should be given first and second prizes; but should it fail to lower the record, it should get only first prize. Carried.

Mr. Badger, in the name of the Asheville Company, thanked the Association for its kindness to the company.

Moved that the Association adjourn to meet again at 5, the session to last from 5 to 7 o'clock, and then meet again at 8:50. Carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the President, and the roll call of companies was ordered called, so that those who could not be present at the morning session would not be marked absent.

The Durham Band having entered the hall there were many calls for music.

After an enthusing air by the band, the President called the house to order to hear the report of the Committee on Credentials.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

We, your Committee on Credentials, after examining all credentials find the following companies represented by delegates and are entitled to vote in this Convention:

WINSTON STEAMER CO., NO. 2.—Frank T. White, John Holmes.
WINSTON STEAMER CO., NO. 1.—Capt. A. J. Gales, R. L. Hopper.
EAGLE HOSE CO., NO. 4, SALEM.—J. S. Harp, Rufus A. Shore.
RESCUE HOOK AND LADDER CO., NO. 1, ASHEVILLE.—Chas. L. Badger, E. B. Stradley.
CHICORA STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO., FAYETTEVILLE.—C. D. Elliott, H. McDonald.
GOLDSBORO FIRE CO., NO. 1.—J. L. Farries.
STEAMER CO., NO. 1., WILMINGTON.—B. R. Russell, H. L. Peters.
ASHEVILLE HOSE CO., NO. 1.—J. T. Bostic, J. C. Walace.
ELECTRIC REEL CO., GOLDSBORO.—H. H. Brown, J. G. Derr.
NEWBERNE STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO., NO. 1.—T. C. Daniels, D. L. Styron.

ECLIPSE STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO., NO. 1., GOLDSBORO.—R. D. Holt, D. M. Hardy.

WILSON FIRE CO.—A. B. Holland, D. Woodard.

GREENSBORO HOOK AND LADDER CO., NO 1.—B. A. Boone, Lee G. Wharton.

SOUTHSIDE HOSE CO., NO. 4, GREENSBORO.—R. D. Douglas.

HOOK AND LADDER CO., NO. 1, WILMINGTON.—John T. Yates.

ROUGH AND READY FIRE CO., SALEM.—D. H. Hudson, Charles Stewart.

GREENSBORO STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO., NO. 1.—John Lewis, J. T. Abbott.

ATLANTIC STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO., NEWBERNE.—George E. Roberts, W. J. McFarley.

DURHAM HOSE CO., NO. 1.—A. Lyon, L. L. Chamberlain.

DURHAM HOSE CO., NO. 2.—W. H. Lewelyn, C. J. Markham.

CASWELL STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO., KINSTON.—J. D. Taylor.

The following Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs are also present and are entitled to vote:

Chief W. B. Glenn, Charlotte.
Chief Jos. J. Stone and Ass't W. R. Pleasants, Greensboro.
Chief Chas. Schnibben, Wilmington.
Chief T. D. Carraway and Ass't A. E. Hibbard, Newberne.
Chief W. C. Bradsher and Ass't W. M. Yearby, Durham.
Chief Jas. D. McNeill and Ass't John Roddick, Fayetteville.
Chief W. C. Badger and Ass't F. W. Hilker, Goldsboro.
Chief J. D. Taylor, Kinston.
Ass't M. V'B. Capps, Salisbury.
Supt. Fire Alarm W. A. Ward, Asheville.

The following Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs not present:

Chief James P. Sawyer, Asheville.
Chief F. C. Meinung and Ass't W. C. Grunert, Salem.
Chief J. W. Hanes and Ass't A. L. Riggans, Winston.
Ass't W. P. Monroe, Wilmington.
Chief J. L. Boger and Ass't R. Will Johnson, Concord.
Chief Dean Herring and Ass't R. J. Grantham, Wilson.
Chief C. B. Mehegan and Ass't M. T. Gwaltney, Tarboro.
Chief L. A. Mahler and Ass't W. Woollcott, Raleigh.
Chief J. R. Bissett, Rocky Mount.
Chief C. H. Swink, Salisbury.
Chief A. K. Kramer and Ass't Chas. Spiers, Elizabeth City.
Chief T. J. Welsh, Monroe.
Companies not represented:
Capital Hose Co., No. 3, Raleigh.

Womble Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1, Raleigh.
Rescue Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 1, Raleigh.
Hose and Reel Co., Concord.
Steam Fire Engine Co., Monroe.
Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 1, Wilmington.

A. J. GALES,
L. L. CHAMBERLAIN,
R. D. DOUGLAS,
Committee on Credentials.

Delegates were requested to call at Secretary's desk and receive badges.

Mr. Lloyd:

I would like to say that I think a good many of the companies have misunderstood the ruling of the Association in regard to the exemption of the company secretaries from the *per capita* tax. This ruling does not exempt the secretaries of companies, but only the Secretary of the Association.

Moved that the reading of the Minutes be dispensed with, and they be approved as printed.

As there were some typographical errors, it was moved that the Minutes be adopted, subject to corrections of this kind where they occurred. Carried.

The name of the Kinston Fire Company appearing on the roll as the Rescue Fire Company, when the delegate reported the name as the Caswell Fire Company, on motion, the name was changed on the Minutes from the Rescue to the Caswell.

The President made the following report:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

To my Comrades of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, my Friends and Fellow Firemen:

Again it is my pleasure and duty to render to you my annual report as the Chief Executive official of your organization, covering

the transactions, financial and otherwise, of your Association sinc our last Annual Meeting in Fayetteville, on August 3, 1897.

Our adjournment at that session was followed by one of the mos successful Tournaments that we have ever held, and I am more tha gratified to be able to report that every event, as advertised, wa successfully competed for and the results satisfactorily adjusted t all contestants without jar or discord.

During the past year I have received, carefully audited an ordered paid 49 warrants upon our Relief Fund, amounting t $2,000.70. This is $125.70 in excess of our annual appropriation.

The change made, upon my recommendation last year, as to partia disability claims, has shown good results, and I would suggest th appointment of another committee at this session to further revis and improve our making of allowances. To those members an department officials to whom, during the past year, I may have ap peared unnecessarily particular in asking questions and assurance of merit in their cases, I would say, that my only intention was t thoroughly protect the Relief Fund, that our law makes me prac tically the guardian of, and by no means, from any desire on m part to be officious. It has only been necessary for me to be full assurred that the claimant was entitled to his relief, for me t promptly order the same paid. I am glad to report all claims satis factorily settled, except two, and they doubtless will be before thi Convention adjourns.

During the past year our Secretary, Capt. Michie, has been calle into actual service in the Army, he now being with his command i Jacksonville, Fla. While he was on duty as our Secretary he wa diligent and attentive to his duty. and I regretted exceedingly to los his valuable services. When he left for the front he appointed ou present Acting Secretary, Mr. A. E. Lloyd, who has certainly give to his duties his most careful attention, and has satisfactorily pe formed the same.

Our worthy Treasurer, who was absent from our last Conventio on account of illness, is now with us again, and is too well know to require any commendation from my hands. For the details c the Secretary and the Treasurer's offices I respectfully refer you t their reports, which will be presented in their proper order and t which I invite your careful attention.

At one time this year it looked like 1898 was going to show a mos serious retrogression in the spirit and life of our Association, an that the Tournament feature would be eliminated from our Annua Meeting. But thanks to the public spirit of our hosts, the pro gressive people of Goldsboro, and the generous way in which the have responded to the occasion, I am glad to report as present an to arrive a fair turnout from the State departments. Had it no

een for the unfortunate action of the Southern Railway in refusing, t the last moment, to grant to companies the usual courtesy of free ansportation of apparatus, as they had agreed to do, and had een doing for years past, we would have had a showing of men nd apparatus that would have been a source of pride to us, and of onder to our hosts and their visitors.

Let me congratulate you, my comrades, upon the continuing in-rease and interest in our State organization, and let me urge upon ou, as companies and as individuals, to let nothing deter you from dding annually to our membership, influence and high standing, ntil we rank as the highest, most honored and deserving of all of ur State, civic, or military organizations.

In conclusion, I thank you, my friends, for the high honors that ou have so generously in the past conferred upon me. I certainly ppreciate them. I can only trust that I have served you satifac-rily, and if I have done so, then, indeed, am I to be envied in aving been the recipient of your honors and favor.

With best wishes for our continued success, I am,

Yours, &c., JAS. D. MCNEILL.

resident McNeill:

I want to thoroughly explain my duties and my action as regards e railroad rates and free transportation business. In June, in nple time to arrange the matter, I put myself in communica-on with Mr. Fitzgerald, who is the man who controls rates all er the Southern country. I asked him if he would grant the orth Carolina State Firemen's Association the same rates that verned at the Fayetteville tournament in 1897, namely, one fare r the round trip and free transportation of all apparatus to and om Goldsboro to the respective departments. He answered me at there would be a meeting of the Associated Railways, and that would put my request before them and report. They held their eting as he stated and he notified me that the request had been anted and that the same rate would govern, namely, one fare for e round trip. As his duty did not cover free transportation of paratus, I then wrote to each individual General Passenger ent, Mr. Turk in Washington, Mr. Emerson in Wilmington, d Mr. Anderson Portsmouth. Just after I got Fitzgerald's letter, ch Passenger Agent notified me that the rates which governed the yetteville tournament had been granted, and asked me to give tice of the fact so that it would be made public.

To make matters doubly sure, I wrote to each General Passenger ent and repeated my request, asking them, "If I am in error, please ify me at once, as I shall proceed after two or three days to give blicity to this rate." My reply promptly was that I had under-

stood the rate correctly, that they would transport our apparatu to and from Goldsboro free of charge. gladly—that is the expres sion they used, gladly—and asked me again to give publicity to it Such was my understanding, and I did give publicity to it, and yo were notified through all the newspapers and through your depart ments. I heard nothing officially to the contrary until July 20, late after I had gone to supper, when I received a telegram from Mr Emerson stating that the legal department advised them that i would be unlawful to transport the apparatus free, therefore the would have to charge us full rate: that they regretted it exceedingl but could not help it. I have the telegrams all here, but it woul be too tiresome to read them all. I wired him at once, for I sa that it would play havoc with our tournament here: "Your decisio will break up the Goldsboro tournament. Can you not sugges some method by which we can get it modified?" He wired me back "Can make no suggestions," and he gave me no suggestions at all I wired Chairman Caldwell, of the Railroad Commission, and at th same time wired Mr. Emerson, "If I get favorable report from Rail road Commission, will you restore rates?" Next morning he wire me, "If Chairman Caldwell gives favorable opinion and says it i not unlawful, will restore rates." In the meantime I was in com munication with Chairman Caldwell and got a telegram from hi that was as favorable as it could possibly have been. It stated th he knew of no law which could prevent the Railroad Companie from granting the same privileges that it had heretofore done. enclosed that to Mr. Emerson, General Passenger Agent of th Atlantic Coast Line, and to all the General Managers of the Asso ciated Railways, and that is I think about the only case where the didn't act together. He telegraphed me next morning, "Your favo with Caldwell's enclosure received. I will take up the matter wit Mr. Turk and the Seaboard and will advise you later." Fou hours afterwards he wired me again, "I have instructed our agent all over our lines to give free transporation to firemen's apparatus and have so notified the Southern and the Seaboard." When I go that, I telegraphed to the different departments, "Keep your depart ments together. Transportation has been arranged." I did tha upon the assurance of Mr. Emerson. To make matters doubly sur I telegraphed Mr. Turk and wrote him a long letter, stating that i he did not revoke the decision, he would deliver a *solar plexus*, s to speak, on the whole thing. I sent this in a special delivery letter and wired him over the Western Union and the Postal, there being a office of both in the town, on Saturday morning. Hearing nothin Saturday, I sent another. Still I heard nothing. I sent two more Sun day morning. Sunday night I wired "I leave for Goldsboro Mon day. Let me know promptly what you are going to do." Still heard nothing. I came here, and after dark last night I heard fo

ıe first time officially from Mr. Turk, in which he stated that he did ɔt care to take the chances in the North Carolina courts upon this ıestion of free transportation, and refused it. His opinion had ɜen affirmative, with us, all the time up to last night, when he has ɜclined. I wanted to make this explanation to you to show you at I trust I have done my duty in the matter. I know nothing else could have done. The fault does not lie with the Association, but together with the officials of the Southern Railway. Mr. Emerson d all that I could ask him to do. He restored rates immediately ɔon receiving Mr. Caldwell's opinion. I want to say that I think e Railroad Commission could not have given us a more favorable ɔinion if they had tried. I have nothing to say for Mr. Turk. I ıve given the trouble as it occurred.

Dr. Griffith:

With that statement before us, I move that the chair appoint committee of three to draw up resolutions to be passed by this ssociation, either in condemnation or otherwise, for the action of e Southern road.

Carried.

Chief Stone:

r. President:

I know you have fully explained your position, and I, as one of e representatives of a town situated on the Southern Railway, sh to publicly thank you for your efforts in behalf of the depart- nts situated on the Southern, and if you will allow me, I would e to make a few remarks. As you are aware, we kept up a cor- spondence by wire for some little time, and our agent in Greens- ro did everything in his power to get some information. He did t tell them what kind of information he wanted, but he just nted information, and he couldn't get any at all. He sat in the ce all day Sunday and sent five or six telegrams himself, and sat in telegraph office till half past one yesterday, and sent messages the President and the General Traffic Manager, and he couldn't a reply from anybody till last night about the time, Mr. Presi- nt, that you got yours. We got in effect just what you did. This rning when I left Greensboro the first man I saw when I got oard the train was Mr. Munson, General Freight Agent of the uthern Railway, and I explained the situation to him. His argu- nt was that they couldn't do anything on account of the Railroad mmission. I said that the Railroad Commission had wired the esident that there was no law in existence that could prohibit the

taking of apparatus if they wanted to take it. Well, he said thei attorney thought otherwise, and I then asked him how it was tha some railroads belonging to the Associated Railways could tak the authority to carry apparatus free and others would not. H said that was not the case. I told him that it was, that the agent of the Atlantic Coast Line had been officially notified to transpor all apparatus free of charge. He said if that was the case, th Southern ought to do it, too, and that they would certainly trans port our apparatus free. When I arrived in Goldsboro, I receive a telegram that the Southern Railway positively refused to trans port the apparatus. The only condition under which they woul move it was full freight rates. To give a personal opinion abou this matter, it strikes me that we have been treated very courteousl by all the other roads. I know of no others that have refused. think, as Dr. Griffith has suggested, that we ought to let the South ern Railway know that this thing had caused us considerabl trouble, and that it has crippled our tournament to a very grea extent.

Moved that the Association also extend thanks to th other railroads, when action was taken in regard to th Southern. Carried.

Mr. Douglas:

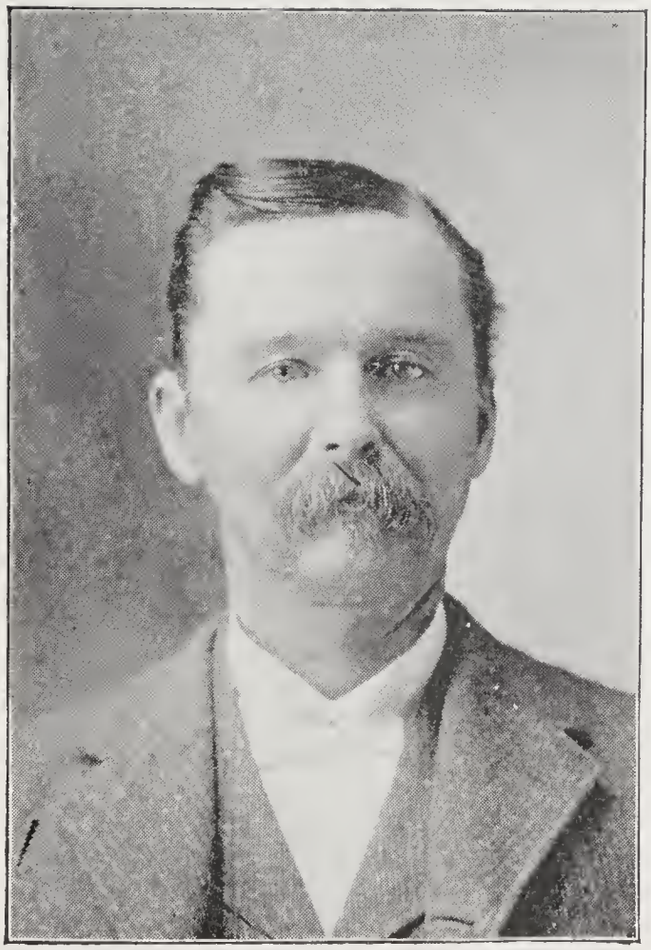
Moved first, that the thanks of the Association be extended t President McNeill for the interest which he has taken in this rail road matter, and the ability with which he has done his part, an secondly, that it order refunded to him all the amount necessaril expended in regard to this matter.

Carried.

Moved that the thanks of the Association be extende to Mr. Lloyd for the able manner in which he did th work of the Secretary. Carried.

The Chair appointed the following Committee on Rail roads:

R. D. Douglas, Greensboro.
L. L. Chamberlain, Durham.
John L. Hare, Wilson.



JAS. D. McNEILL, President.

Some of the Finance Committee being absent the follow-ng Committee on Finance was appointed:

W. C. Badger, Goldsboro.
A. J. Gales, Winston.
Jos. J. Stone, Greensboro.
B. J. Swinson, Charlotte.
Chas. Schnibben, Wilmington.

Miscellaneous business was then taken up.

The Captains of running teams were requested to fur-ish a certified list to the Secretary to-morrow morning t 8 o'clock, and to meet and select judges for the different ontests.

Mr. Hare:

I would like to ask about the horse reel contest. You can look at two ways. It says the wagon shall weigh 1,200 pounds. Does it ean with hose?

President McNeill:

It has always been the rule for teams to have their apparatus eighed on the city scales and certified to by the city weigher, and esented to the starter before the race. The apparatus for one rse is 1,200 pounds exclusive of driver and men, including hose.

Dr. Griffith:

There was a matter brought before the Executive Committee last ght in connection with a man that has been a true friend to the sociation; a member of the Association in good standing, who s happened to a serious accident, and he comes to the Association h an application for relief. The question, if I understand it cor-tly, was whether or not he was entitled to benefit. The case is s: Last year the Winston Fire Company was at the Fayetteville et, and after their success, Company No. 2, which was at home, order to celebrate the victories of their brothers on the arrival the Company at home, was ordered out to meet them at the oot and show them proper courtesies. In order to show this otherly feeling, they took out a cannon, and in shooting this non, it discharged before they were exactly ready, and our

friend, Wiley Keith, lost his right arm just below the elbow. H was disabled for six months, and asks for relief. The question wa whether under the circumstances he was entitled to benefits or not President McNeill being present, I will turn the matter over to him

President McNeill:

I am only too glad to be able to contribute to my friend, Keith He was a charter member of our Association. He met in Greens boro with a baker's dozen in 1888 and started this Association When the claim was presented to me as President, I did not fee that my authority extended far enough, though the desire was there to cover his case officially. I know him well. I have consulte with his brother firemen in his department. As Dr. Griffith ha told you, he did not become disabled in actual service, actual fir duty, but as a fireman he was congratulating and making merr over the return of his successful brother firemen, and I feel that i will be perfectly justifiable in us, and I feel that it will be makin proper disposition of part of our relief fund, if we do something t assist him. I am satisfied that any help will be gratefully receive and will be truly beneficent. I suggest that $100 be appropriated fro our relief fund for the relief of Mr. Keith, as a partial payment. I it were possible, I would say give the whole thing, but I do not fe like infringing too much on our obligation to the State that r quires us to disburse this money, but I am satisfied that the pay ment of a round sum of $100 as a partial payment will be satisfac tory, and I have the assurance of members of his department tha it would be gratefully received.

Moved that the Secretary be instructed to draw a draf upon the relief fund of $100 for Wiley Keith. Carried.

Mr. C. L. Badger:

Our Committee appeared before the Executive Committee last nigh to draw up rules governing the horse hook and ladder contest, an agreed upon the following:

RULE GOVERNING HORSE HOOK AND LADDER CONTEST.

Companies allowed one two horse truck. Trucks to be weighed weight for one horse not less than 1,500 pounds exclusive of drive and men. For two horses not less than 2,600 pounds. Horse o horses to be hitched to truck, rear wheels on starting line, run 30 yards, take off one 30-foot ladder, man to ascend and touch to piece or round of ladder and descend, replace ladder on truck i

ame position as when removed. Ladder must be raised by hand, no ooks or poles allowed. Not less than two entries allowed. No ose company allowed to form or assist a truck company. Not ore than sixteen men allowed exclusive of ladder-man and driver.

Adopted.

Chief Stone:

I am not a member of that committee, but still I am interested in e hook and ladder companies. I would state for the benefit of the embers present that they are practically the old rules with two exptions. That is about taking off two ladders as the rule proded for. They are of no use at all. We have some three-foot dders which answer the purpose, but they are no good. They are t for service and I do not see the use in carrying them at all. The other point is the ladderman having to touch the bottom round the ladder. You all know that with practical firemen that is uncessary. If the ladder is up and you wish to go up it is not necesry to put your foot on the bottom round; it does not make any fference. I think that the committee has suggested that these anges ought to be made for the simple reason that some little chnical point might be raised, the ladderman might fail to touch e bottom round, when really that is not a test of efficiency. I ink the suggestions good ones, and I hope that they will be passed.

On motion, the suggestions were adopted.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

DURHAM, N. C., July 24, 1898.

the Officers and Members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association:

GENTLEMEN:—When this country became involved in war with ain it was necessary to call upon the militia of the several States furnish the Volunteer Army. Your State Secretary, as Captain the Durham Light Infantry, was one of the first to offer his serces to the Governor. So that is why I am acting in this capacity him.

There are on the rolls of the Association this year 33 companies. m sorry to report that some of the companies have not responded the letters of Captain Michie and myself urging them to become olled for this year, consequently we report a loss of five comnies.

I have to report the enrollment of one new company, viz: Salisbury Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1. This is made up of eight men from Salisbury Hose Co., No. 1. They paid the initiation fee of $5.00 and I transferred their names upon the request of C. H. Swink Chief of the Department.

I have not been able to get the names of membership of Wilson Fire Company, although they have paid their dues to this Association.

The total membership as it now appears on the roll book for 189 is: Men 557: Chiefs 13; Assistant Chiefs 9; total 579.

Receipt from all sources... ..... $ 355 45

DISBURSEMENTS.

1898-99.

Aug. 14.	.....	$ 27 0
Jan. 10.	Check T. A. Green, Treasurer	83 2
Feb. 23.	" " " "	84 1
Mar. 8.	" " " "	23 5
" 18.	" " " "	25 7
Apr. 23.	" " " "	48 2
June 13.	" " " "	15 0
" 28.	" " " "	11 0
July 8.	" " " "	41 5
" 21.	" " " "	17 5
July 26.	Check $5.50, Cash $6.00.....	11 5
	Total	$ 388 5

WARRANTS ISSUED ON GENERAL FUND.

1897.

Aug. 13.	No.	1, Educator Co., balance on bill.....	$ 35 87
" "	"	2, J. C. Michie, on salary.....	50 00
" 24.	"	3, E. G. Parmalee, Exp. Meet'g Ex. Com..	16 83
" 23.	"	4, J. C. Michie, Exp. Attg. Association...	8 40
" 27.	"	5, Reece & Elam, balance of printing.....	30 45
" "	"	6, T. A. Green, salary.....	100 00
" "	"	7, Thompson Printing Co.....	6 00
" "	"	8, Expense attending Association.....	32 00
" "	"	9, J. D. McNeill, soliciting towns	41 90
Sept. 1.	"	10, Miss Buie, reporting proceedings.....	12 90
" 11.	"	11, J. C. Michie, postage.....	5 00
Dec. 9.	"	12, J. C. Michie, postage.....	5 00
1898.			
Jan. 9.	"	13, J. C. Michie, postage.....	5 00
Feb. 14.	"	14, Salary 1896-97.....	150 00

Mar. 11.	No. 15, T. A. Green, on salary	$	50 00
une 2.	" 16, J. D. McNeill, postage		5 00
" 3.	" 17, A. E. Lloyd, postage		2 00
Total		$	556 37

WARRANTS ON RELIEF FUND.

1897.

ug. 23.	Warrant No. 1, C. D. Elliott	$	10 00
" "	" " 2, S. C. Walsh		8 00
" 27.	" " 3, R. L. Rogers		26 00
" "	" " 4, A. L. Bryan		56 00
" 31.	" " 5, Geo. L. Beall		48 00
" "	" " 6, W. P. Monroe		38 00
ept. 1.	" " 7, M. E. Warren		10 00
" "	" " 8, Spencer Ford		24 00
" 3.	" " 9, H. H. Tooker		54 00
" 4.	" " 10, W. A. Mabry		56 00
" 10.	" " 11, W. T. Ferrell		22 00
" 13.	" " 12, L. L. Chamberlain		10 00
" 16.	" " 13, Tom C. Daniels		30 00
" 19.	" " 14, C. D. Bradham		60 00
" "	" " 15, Arthur Land		16 00
" 23.	" " 16, W. H. Shipe		14 00
t. 2.	" " 17, W. C. Parsons		14 00
" 7.	" " 18, A. L. Bryan		28 00
" 9.	" " 19, W. D. Turner		24 00
ov. 3.	" " 20, C. D. Whitehurst		20 00
" 28.	" " 21, W. D. Leggitt		12 00
" "	" " 22, W. O. Howard		14 00
ec. 4.	" " 23, Alonzo Turner		16 00
" "	" " 24, J. B. Carlyle		20 00
1898.			
n. 9.	" " 25, Tom C. Daniels		14 00
" 17.	" " 26, W. R. Linton		40 00
b. 7.	" " 27, T. A. Commander		10 00
" 14.	" " 28, G. W. Hunter		24 00
" 19.	" " 29, W. A. Mabry		20 00
" "	" " 30, L. L. Chamberlain		20 00
" 25.	" " 31, W. R. Linton		20 00
" 26.	" " 32, C. C. Paul		36 00
r. 9.	" " 34, Jas. D. McNeill		40 00
" 11.	" " 35, L. J. Taylor		40 00
" 12.	" " 36, O. A. Kafer		40 00
" 16.	" " 37, T. B. Hayman		8 00

Mar. 17.	Warrant	No.	38, J. C. Michie	$ 20 00
Apr. 6.	"	"	39, Clarence Crapon	80 00
" 14.	"	"	40, N. H. Turbyfield	36 00
May 14.	"	"	41, J. M. Young	16 00
" 28.	"	"	42, J. W. Timberlake	128 00
June 9.	"	"	43, R. A. Camp	106 00
" 11.	"	"	44, N. H. Turbyfield	96 00
" "	Void	"	45.	
July 6.	Warrant	"	45, Hugh Wood	20 00
" 21.	"	"	46, S. A. Taylor	16 00
	Total			$1,460 00

Warrants were given to the following in Executive Committee meeting, July 25th:

July 25.	Warrant	No.	47, E. R. Brewer	18 00
" "	"	"	48, T. A. Green	150 00
" "	"	"	49, T. A. Green	122 70
" 26.	"	"	50, Jno. T. Yates	10 00
" "	"	"	51, H. L. Peterson	56 00
" "	"	"	52, Wiley Keith	100 00
" "	"	"	53, G. E. Lougee	100 00
	Total			$2,016 70

T. A. Green's report show $2,000.70. The difference of $16.00 is warrant No. 46, which was sent to McNeill, but did not get in in time for report of Treasurer this year.

I desire to return thanks to President McNeill for his courtesy in helping me through this work; also the members of the Association who have responded so nicely to my letters of inquiry.

Respectfully submitted,

A. E. LLOYD, *Acting Secretary.*

It was moved the report be referred to Finance Committee. Carried.

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet at 8:30 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the President at) o'clock, and miscellaneous business taken up.

Moved that the rules governing the steamer race, start o finish, at Fayetteville be adopted for that race hereafter.

Chief Stone:

I would like to second the motion. I would like to ask if this is to e a permanent part of the programme. My understanding of the natter is that the race at Fayetteville was simply an extra thrown n, and the local committee saw fit to have it here. If Chief Taylor vill embody in his motion "provided this be a permanent part of ie programme," I think it would be better. I think, as he suggest-d, that we ought to know exactly what to depend on, and I think his Association ought to make the rules.

President:

The rules, as laid down, show no rules whatever for this race. At ie Fayetteville tournament, in my desire to enlarge the engine feat-re, I put that in. I think it perfectly proper that it should be a ermanent feature. It will be a pretty feature in the future to con-nue our engine feature in our tournament—provided we get the outhern Railway to transport engines for us. Having no rules overning it, I would ask Chief Taylor to write off these rules and nbody them in our rules, or make a motion or a joint motion to at effect as proposed by both of you.

Chief Taylor:

I accept Mr. Stone's amendment, and I think you fully understand hat the conditions of the race were. You made the rules, and those me rules can be embodied in the rules of the Association.

Moved that the rules governing the steam fire engine ontest, start to finish, at Fayetteville tournament, shall evail in the contest of 1898, at Goldsboro, and in all suc-eding contests, and that they be embodied in our rules overning tournaments.

Carried.

Chief Stone:

There is a matter which I pledged myself I would bring before the Association, a matter I had overlooked up to this time, and I think now is the proper time to mention it. You are aware of the fact that the National Committee, appointed to arrange for the National Tournament, met last fall or winter in Chicago, and they adopted a set of rules which they sent out to a good many firemen. They sent me several copies, and I guess others got them. I had a personal letter from the Secretary asking if I would not, at our next meeting, bring the matter before the Association. I came away and forgot to bring a copy of the rules with me, but I think it would be a fitting thing for this association to appoint a committee to investigate these rules. They are made by representatives from all the prominent fire departments in the United States. I read the rules, and they are very comprehensive, the very thing, I think, we ought to adopt I notice throughout the different firemen's papers that the Associations that have met since the rules were adopted or submitted, have virtually adopted the same rules: indeed, I would also state that they are virtually the same rules we are using now, with some improvements that will be of vast benefit to our Association.

If the Chair will appoint a committee, I think these rules will be well worth looking into. It could act in conjunction with the Executive Committee and could report any proposed changes in the rules to the next meeting of the Association.

The main object of this Committee in submitting the rules was simply to have all tournaments run under the same rules, so if you pick up an account of a tournament happening in some distant State, you understand thoroughly that this is the very same tournament that you have here.

Dr. Griffith:

As you are aware, we had established in this State a paper, by my friend Stone, a paper called *The Volunteer Fireman*. It was established for the benefit of the volunteer firemen throughout the South. The intent of this paper was to cover the whole territory of the Southern section of country. At the first meeting of the Association after its establishment, it adopted this paper as its official organ. Mr. Stone has run it, so he tells me, at a loss to himself from a financial standpoint, and he has never asked for a subscription. The time has come when he is very anxious to make it a paper which will be a credit to the firemen of North Carolina and the firemen of the South. He has made some improvements in it and he intends to make more. He came to me some time ago and

JOS. J. STONE, First Vice-President.

ked me if I would assist in the editorial work of it. I considered e matter and told him I would do all I could. The point of Mr. one and myself is not to make any money, but we do feel that ter the hard year's of labor that has been given, that the firemen ght to support their official organ by subscription. I want to ask at the members of the Association, as far as possible, will sub-ribe to this. It is only 75 cents a year, issued twice a month. We pect to make it a paper that will be of interest to you, and as far as ssible to make it interesting to every firemen in the South. I uld like to ask you that in your monthly meeting you instruct the cretary to send us any items which would be of interest to us, and will gladly furnish you the postage for it. I have several pies here containing the official programme for the races, and it l be a great deal handier for you to have it in your pocket than have to get a programme for each day. We would be glad to ve any assistance you can give us, for we are working for your od and for your interest, and we ought to have your support.

President McNeill:

would like to state that I know this is no money making scheme, I would like to see you help it along. You can make it an in-esting paper, and a paper of value to the Association.

The Committee on Railways made the following report:

it Resolved by the North Carolina State Firemen's Association,

IRST. That we thank every railroad in the State, with the excep-n of the Southern, for courtesies extended to this Association in matter of transportation of men and apparatus to the Annual rnament held in Goldsboro, July 26th, 27th and 28th, 1898.

ECOND. That a copy of these resolutions be spread on our Min-s and given to the State press with the request that they print the ne. That in view of the fact that the former rates were granted out a month ago and then revoked only a few days before the rnament, on the grounds that they were forbidden to do so by State Railroad Commission, coupled with the fact that the Chair-n of the Railroad Commission has announced that they knew of law and have made no decision against the rates, and the further that the same laws relating thereto are now in force, under which railroads of the State have, since 1891, given these rates (the idity of which has never been even questioned) we are forced to eve that the Southern Railway is not acting in good faith, but is suing its present course of action for the purpose of creating

public opinion against certain parties whom they have long be fighting.

THIRD. That we desire to antagonize no man or corporation, a are acting in the interest of no man or party. But we think that t Southern Railway has adopted a strange way of repaying th Association for the work done—without any consideration whatev —in saving for this company thousands of dollars worth of pro erty, sometimes at the risk of our lives, together with the thousan of dollars in insurance annually saved on account of the protecti this Association gives.

FOURTH. That we condemn the Southern Railway in this mat and will continue to do so so long as it pursues its present course

R. D. DOUGLAS, Chairman.
L. L. CHAMBERLAIN,
JOHN L. HARE,
Committee

This same committee introduced the following resoluti in addition to the above, which was adopted:

Be it Resolved by the North Carolina State Firemen's Association:

That we have heard with surprise and indignation that after gra ing to this Association the usual rates for men and apparatus the Annual Tournament the Southern Railway has only a few da ago, and after all arrangements were made, revoked their rates the ground that they were unlawful and charged full freight rat on all apparatus, notwithstanding the fact that the other railroa in the State have granted the usual rates.

The Treasurer made the following report, which was r ferred to the Finance Committee:

TREASURER'S REPORT.

1897.

Aug. 2.	To cash on hand		$2,382
Nov. 19.	To cash received from Hon. W. H. Worth, State Treasurer, for annual appropriation for fiscal year ending November 30th, 1897		1,875
			$4,257
Aug. 27.	By cash paid C. D. Elliott,	Order No. 1..	$ 10
" "	" " S. C. Walsh,	" 2..	8
Sept. 1.	" " R. L. Rogers,	" 3..	26
" "	" " A. L. Bryan,	" 4..	56
" 6.	" " Geo. L. Beall,	" 5..	48

ept.	6.	By cash paid	W. P. Monroe,	Order No.	6..	38 00
"	7.	"	" M. E. Warren,	"	7..	10 00
"	"	"	" Spencer Ford,	"	8.	24 00
"	27.	"	" H. H. Tooker,	"	9..	54 00
"	"	"	" W. A. Mabry,	"	10..	56 00
"	"	"	" W. F. Ferrell,	"	11..	22 00
"	"	"	" L. L. Chamberlain,	"	12..	10 00
"	"	"	" Tom C. Daniels,	"	13..	30 00
"	"	"	" C. D. Bradham,	"	14..	60 00
"	"	"	" A. L. Land,	"	15..	16 00
ct.	5.	"	" W. H. Shipe,	"	16..	14 00
"	12.	"	" A. L. Bryan,	"	18..	28 00
"	22.	"	" W. D. Turner,	"	19..	24 00
"	27.	"	" W. C. Parsons,	"	17..	14 00
ov.	9.	"	" C. D. Whitehurst,	"	20..	20 00
"	1.	"	" W. D. Leggitt,	"	21..	12 00
"	"	"	" W. O. Howard,	"	22..	14 00
"	7.	"	" Alonzo Turner,	"	23..	16 00
"	"	"	" J. B. Carlye,	"	24..	20 00
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n.	14.	"	" Tom. C. Daniels,	"	25..	14 00
"	25.	"	" W. R. Linton,	"	26..	40 00
b.	21.	"	" G. W. Hunter,	"	28..	24 00
"	"	"	" T. A. Commander,	"	27..	10 00
ar.	1.	"	" W. R. Linton,	"	31..	20 00
"	8.	"	" W. A. Mabry,	"	29..	20 00
"	"	"	" L. L. Chamberlain,	"	30..	20 00
"	"	"	" C. C. Paul,	"	32..	36 00
"	12.	"	" Jas. D. McNeill,	"	34..	40 00
"	16.	"	" L. J. Taylor,	"	35..	40 00
"	"	"	" O. A. Kafer,	"	36..	40 00
"	26.	"	" T. B. Hayman,	"	37..	8 00
"	"	"	" J. C. Michie,	"	38..	20 00
r.	21.	"	" C. Crapon,	"	39..	80 00
"	"	"	" N. H. Turbyfield,	"	40..	36 00
y	18.	"	" J. M. Young,	"	41..	16 00
ne	1.	"	" J.W. Timberlake,	"	42..	128 00
"	14.	"	" R. A. Camp,	"	43..	106 00
"	"	"	" N. H. Turbyfield,	"	44..	196 00
"	16.	"	" Hugh Wood,	"	45..	20 00
y	25.	"	" E. R. Brewer,	"	47..	18 00
"	"	"	" T. A. Green,	"	48..	150 00
"	"	"	" H. E. Seaman,	"	49..	122 70
"	26.	"	" John T. Yates,	"	50..	10 00
"	"	"	" H. L. Peterson,	"	51..	56 00

July 26.	By cash paid Wiley Keith,	Order No. 52..	100
" "	" " Geo. E. Lougee,	" 53..	100
" "	To balance cash on hand.....		2,256
	Total.....		$4,257

I, T. A. Green, Treasurer, hereby certify that the above accou is a true and is a full and complete copy of my books.

Newberne, July 26, 1898.

T. A. GREEN, *Treasurer*.

We, the Finance Committee of the North Carolina State Firemen Association in meeting assembled at Goldsboro, N. C., here certify that we have examined the books of T. A. Green, Treasure and find that the above herewith report is a true copy of his boo and that said vouchers paid by him are properly drawn and sign by the President and Secretary of the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signed] W. C. BADGER,
JOS. J. STONE,
B. J. SWINSON,
CHAS. SCHNIBBEN,
Finance Committe

GENERAL FUND.

I beg leave to report that on account of the General Fund I had on hand as a balance at the beginning of fiscal year, viz., August 2, 1897.....	$ 320
I have received from the Secretary at sundry times on account for dues to date.....	388
I have received from beneficiary members as per By-Law 5 per cent. deduction from each voucher issued for relief account the sum of.....	86
Making total amount.....	$ 795
I have paid out during the same time as per vouchers for printing.....	$ 72
For postage.....	22
For salaries.....	350
For expense of Pres. McNeill and Executive Committee...	117
Reporting proceedings of last Convention.....	12
Total.....	$ $575
Balance on hand.....	$ 220

RELIEF FUND.

I had a balance on hand at last report on August 2, 1897..	$2,382 34
November 19, 1897, I received from the State Treasurer, Hon. W. H. Worth, our regular annual appropriation for the year ending November 30, 1897..... ...	1,875 00
Making total of.....	$4,257 34
I have paid out during the past fiscal year 49 vouchers for relief of disabled firemen amounting to..... . .	$1,728 00
Two vouchers for Treasurer's salary, printing, etc.....	272 70
Total....	$2,000 70
Leaving balance on hand to credit of Relief Fund.....	$2,256 64

Of this fund the following cities and towns have received the following amounts:

Asheville	$ 198 00
Charlotte	130 00
Durham.....	272 00
Elizabeth City.....	38 00
Fayetteville.....	50 00
Greensboro.....	48 00
Monroe.....	8 00
Newberne.....	580 00
Salisbury.....	80 00
Tarboro	42 00
Wilmington.....	104 00
Winston.....	160 00
Salem.....	18 00
Total.....	$1,728 00

Newberne, July 26, 1898.

Respectfully submitted,

T. A. GREEN, *Treasurer.*

The Statistician on account of sickness had been unable to make up his report. It was moved and carried that he be allowed thirty days to get up the report.

Mr. Douglas to the Treasurer:

Can you tell me what percentage of the beneficiary fund has been paid to partial disability?

Treasurer Green:

I can approximate it. I think it is about half and half. I think that is as near as I can come to it.

President McNeill:

We all recollect and remember Mr. W. T. McCarthy, manager of the Atlantic Reel Team. He has been the life of a great many of our meetings. Those who recollect him at Salisbury, and as a host at Newberne, can have nothing for him but the warmest feeling and the best wishes. He was a good fireman, a genial fellow, a whole-souled man, and I would like that a committee be appointed to draft suitable resolutions, and a page upon the proceedings be devoted to a memorial of him. He is worthy of it. He should have it, and I ask that it be done.

Mr. Daniels:

Representing the company other than that to which Mr. McCarthy belonged, I desire to make the motion suggested by Mr. McNeill, and I desire to add a few words to his merit as a fireman. I have been associated with him for a number of years in fire duties, both on the reel team and as a delegate, and we, of our town, miss him It is a matter of tears for the department to speak of McCarthy His memory is always with us He was a genial boy. As a Senator he did valuable service for our fund. When President McNeill and others had a hard fight before the Populist-Republican Legislature to keep from losing the fund we have now for disabled firemen, he threw himself in the breach and worked with President McNeill and the fund was retained. Sir, I make as a motion the suggestion of Mr. McNeill, that a page be devoted to his memory and that a committee be appointed to draft resolutions.

Dr. Griffith:

I want to add my mite in behalf of our dead comrade. I have known W. T. McCarthy for several years as a fireman. I met him in connection with this Association, and I want to say that he had traits about him which I always admired. I admire any man that has a mind of his own and an opinion of his own and is ready to stand up and defend that mind and that opinion under all circumstance. That man was W. T. McCarthy. If anybody in this Association has ever had any dealings with Irishmen, they know what

rue-heartedness means. It can be said in behalf of that nationality hat when they like you they like you, and vice versa. There is nothing that can part them asunder. Being associated with this Association, W. T. McCarthy has shown me many favors that I vill never forget. When I learned of his death, I must say that here has not been a death in this Association since its organiza-ion in which I have felt more the loss of a friend.

Mr. T. A. Green:

McCarthy was from Newberne, and though a much younger man han I am, I remember with pleasure the trip to Salisbury. As hese brethren have already said, a more noble-hearted, kind, gen-rous, whole-souled fellow I have never met in my life. When he ied the firemen of Newberne wept over his grave and carried flow-rs and scattered them there. He was not only a fireman in the true ense of the word, but as he walked through the streets of the city of ewberne, he carried so much sunshine in that countenance of his hat to look at him made you laugh. To be a friend of his and to ollow him closely day by day was a pleasure. Newberne has never ost a more congenial man, has never buried a nobler, grander fire-an than W. T. McCarthy. The two companies which will day fter tomorrow fight each other to the hilt in trying to win the belt hich has been put up by this Association, followed McCarthy to s last resting place, side by side, as brother firemen. The resolu-on offered by Mr. Daniels to set aside a page in our records as a emorial is but a slight tribute to his memory. Would that we had e money tonight to erect a monument of marble to commemmorate s memory. He is worthy of it. He was the life of the Newberne emen. Whereever he led, they followed. I cannot find words to ex-ess the feelings of regret that he is not with us here tonight. I nnot find words to pay the tribute that I think his due. What I ave said is but a feeble attempt to pay some small tribute to his emory. I never saw, in all my life, a more cheerful, lively disposi-on in any man than I have always found in W. T. McCarthy. ay he live in our memory for many years to come.

R. D. Douglas:

I would like to be allowed a moment to pay my tribute to McCar-y. I never knew much of him as a fireman, but I knew him where e boy learns to know another best, I think. I was with him for veral years at a preparatory school and then at the Georgetown iversity. At both places, what especially distinguished him was aggressiveness. I think this should be a lesson to us all. We ght disagree with what he did, we might not agree with his ideas,

but one thing was sure, his ideal was to do not what was wrong, but to do what was right. If he did anything he did it with a wholesouledness, a singleness of purpose, and an uninterestedness which I think might well serve as a lesson to us all, not only as regards to fire duty, but anything else in life we undertake. That was a quality of his which I wish to impress, and which distinguished him more than anything else.

Chief Bradsher:

None of us knew him but to love him, and no one can sympathize with the Newberne department more than the Durham department does.

T. C. Daniels:

I would move that Mr. Douglas be made chairman of the committee to draft resolutions, and I ask the Convention for a rising vote to pass upon the motion that a page in the minutes be devoted to his memory.

Motion Carried.

Chief Stone:

I would like to call the attention of the Association to a matter which I think is of importance, and that is the setting apart of some day during the year as a Fireman's Memorial Day. We have a memorial day set apart for our soldiers, and I think we ought to have a day when we could go out and decorate the graves of our dead firemen. I think this matter worth the consideration of the Convention.

Dr. Griffith:

I don't think there is anything the Association could do that would show more appreciation than by adopting a Fireman's Memorial Day. I hope some action will be taken.

President McNeill:

I would suggest that in the early life of the Association, this would be almost a local matter, and it is a dangerous precedent to set such a thing for an organization if it will not be universally observed. I believe in all proper respect being shown in such cases. But take my own department, for instance. I have no cases in my

C. L. BADGER, SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT.

artment which would justify me in creating sentiment enough to ng out a Memorial Day. Newberne and Wilmington would, and ers would. It is local, and I don't know that it would be very irable for us to adopt it as an organization. To adopt this now, h only a few departments observing it, would make it a dead let- I am agreeable to it if the Convention is. I am only giving practical side of it. If I were the Chief of the Asheville depart- nt, nothing would prevent me from ordering out the whole com- y on the anniversary of the death of those brave boys who were ed at Boston Bridge on their way home from our Durham meet- . If I were Chief of the Newberne department, nothing would vent my doing the same thing on the anniversary of McCarthy's th, and the same thing should occur on the anniversary of Wil- l's death. These are the only three that I can call to mind now. personnel of the departments always changes, and I don't think should be set for observation if it is not going to be observed.

Mr. Capps:

ery few of these memorial days are observed by the United tes, and they are adopted by the government of the United tes. They tend to be local. There are very few of these holi- s observed in the United States, perhaps one or two. I do not any reason why we could not adopt a day when we could go out decorate the graves of our brave firemen, let them be of what- distinction they may. I can see no reason why we should not t. They are heroes who lived to save the lives and property of ers. Where can you find a grander hero than the fireman? I k we ought to have a decoration day set apart by this Associa- .

hief Schnibben:

is only a few years ago that the men in the Civil War whose ves we now decorate were killed. Although it is but a few days in our memory that the men in our fire department were killed, nk, and I know that there are men in the North Carolina Fire artment that were killed years ago, possibly, and I think, not President McNeill, but that as firemen we should commemorate leath of firemen killed thirty years ago.

loved that the President appoint a committee of three uggest a day. Amended that the committee should ort at the next meeting. The motion was carried as nded.

Ex-Chief Taylor:

We all know how much work the President has to do in th Association and get no compensation for it. I think that the ought to be a way provided for the President to get some compens tion for his work. I offer as a suggestion that we cut down t Secretary's salary and give the President a salary of $150 a yea I do not think it would be any more than he deserves. You a know full well the amount of work the President had to do this yea I offer the following as a suggestion:

Resolved, That after this date, the President of this Associati shall receive a salary of $150 per annum, and that the Secreta shall receive a salary of $100 per annum.

Carried:

Ex-Chief Taylor:

Under that ruling, we will have to raise a little more funds for t general fund. I move that the percentage of the Relief Fund that paid out be increased from 5 per cent. to 10 per cent. I think t beneficiaries could stand that.

Mr. Roddick:

I think the benefit fund of this Association is for disabled firemen and I don't see why it should be taxed to pay the salary of th officers of this Association. The per capita tax is very small, an I think this should come out of that and not from the beneficiar fund. I am willing to say increase the per capita, but not the pe cent. on the beneficiary.

Chief Stone:

I would like to say a word in regard to this matter: That we are a aware of the fact that not more than one-third of the fire companies North Carolina belong to the State Association. Why? Becaus they have to pay 50 cents a year for each member, and $5 initiatio fee. That is the reason they don't belong to the Association. we increase our per capita tax, we will lose our membership, an the revenue will be smaller than if we tax the beneficiary fun What fireman in North Carolina, if he gets $10 from the beneficiar fund, would object to giving $1 of it back to the Association to pa the running expenses? I think this tax should be increased to

r cent., as there is no other way in sight to raise the fund necessary for the running expenses. I am in favor of this motion by t-Chief Taylor.

Mr. Daniels:

As a usual thing, about one-half or one-third of the actual membership of different departments in the State pay to the benefit fund. e Association is not getting the full benefit of the actual membership of different departments. If you are going to increase this per pita tax, it is going to run more men out of the Association than e in it now. The result will be that there will be a greater decrease in the general fund of the Association than there will be an rease by greater taxation. I know that 5 per cent. increase on amount received by any person will not amount to such a great ount that there will be an objection on the part of the person receiving that benefit to pay that amount. I think the Association ould take some steps to compel or require the payment of the per pita tax by every active member of a volunteer fire department in s Association. I also think the Association should take some ion concerning the paid fire departments in North Carolina reap- the benefit that has been given by the State to the volunteer fire- n of North Carolina, for the simple reason that the paid depart- nts are paid for their duty and are paid for the services they der. That is their occupation. That is their living. If they are ured, they are injured at it. That is not volunteer, that is not oic, but they are injured doing a duty they are paid to do ser- e for. Being paid to do this, pay for their injuries should not ne out of the volunteer fund of the Association? A volunteer fire- n has his occupation and has his living to make for himself, and e receives an injury, it causes a loss of his employment, and essarily a loss to himself and his duties. It is heroic in him, unteering and doing the duty of a volunteer fireman, on that ac- nt. I am not in favor of it, and I do not think the paid depart- nts ought to receive benefits from this fund. I have heard it ken of and talked about by a great many people—people politi- y of high influence in North Carolina. It has been brought to r notice, and that feature of the North Carolina Firemen's efit Fund is going to react against us in future Assemblies in th Carolina if we are not careful. We have had one fight, and are is not taken to preserve this fund, we will have another fight, the end will not result as this last one did. I think the Asso- ion to-night ought to take some action in regard to this matter. ink the volunteer organization ought to be distinct from the paid rtment. I have digressed from the subject under consideration, it came to my mind to speak it just at this time.

Mr. Russell, of Wilmington:

I happen to belong to the paid fire department, and it seems to m that it doesn't make any difference where a man works to make h living. I think that the money that goes to pay the benefit is co lected from insurance companies for the benefit of firemen who sha get hurt fighting fire, and, according to my idea, I cannot see ho it would make any difference who the man worked for—whether th city of Wilmington, or Goldsboro, or Newbern—he is working fo his living, and if he is hurt at a fire, that fund is put there to he him pay his doctor bill. I drew money out of it when I was gettin paid, about $80 or $90, I think, and my doctor bill was $65. It helpe me out that much. I don't believe that you will lose five men you will increase the per capita tax to $1. That fund was put the for the paid firemen as well as forthe volunteer firemen.

President McNeill:

I want to call my good friend's (Mr. Daniels) attention to the law As Mr. Russell has just stated, this fund was granted, at the reque of a committee, however. As regards the question of the paid depa ments being beneficiaries, I am a volunteer man, but at the sa time I am a law-abiding citizen, and so is my friend Daniels. President of the Association, I have ordered enrolled on the Secr tary's books the names of the two paid departments, because th law compels me to do it. The law is this:

"*An Act Creating a Relief Fund for Disabled Firemen:*

"SEC. 6. That any fireman of good moral character in Nort Carolina and belonging to an organized fire company, who will com ply with the requisitions of the constitution and by-laws of the Nort Carolina State Firemen's Association, may become a member o said association, and any organized fire company in North Caro lina holding itself ready for duty, may, upon compliance with th requisitions of said constitution and by-laws, become a member o the said North Carolina State Firemen's Association."

Moved that the percentage of the Relief Fund paid ou be increased from 5 per cent. to 10 per cent. Carrie (standing vote).

REPORT OF THE STATISTICIAN FOR THE YEAR ENDING AUGUST 1, 1898.

I, as the Statistician of the State Firemen's Association of North Carolina, beg to report from August 1st, 1897, to August 1st, 1898, that I find the conditions of the towns reported about as per last report, with probably some improvement and a tendency to some new organizations.

The following towns have reported:

Fayetteville,	Charlotte,	Concord,
Wilmington,	Asheville,	Greensboro,
Salisbury,	Newbern,	Kinston,
Goldsboro,	Enfield,	Winston-Salem.

WINSTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, John W. Hanes.

Four Companies (Volunteer and Paid).

Company No. 1, Engine, Hose Cart, 20 men (white); Captain, A. J. Bailes; Secretary, R. S. Westmoreland.

Company No. 2, Engine, Hose Cart, 20 men (white); Captain, J. . McCrary; Secretary, J. H. Holmes.

Hook and Ladder No. 1, 18 men (white); Captain, L. Norvell; Secretary, J. W. Young.

Hook and Ladder No. 2, 20 men (colored); Captain, Thomas Hairon; Secretary, S. Hargraves.

o.	Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	4
'	Horse Hose Wagons	2
'	Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
'	Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
'	Feet Rubber Hose	1,500
'	Feet Cotton Hose	1,000
	Total	2,500
	alue real estate for fire purposes	$15,000
	alue of all other property, etc	15,000

Steamer Company No. 1 use a Silsby Engine and Steamer Company No. 2 has La France Engine No. 2; both in first-class condition. Hook and Ladder Company No. 2 has Hayes Truck (horse). Colored Company No. 2 has a good hand truck. There were no serious fires during the year ending April 1, 1898, and the loss involved hardly exceeded $1,500. The department is in much better condition than it has ever been.

SALEM DEPARTMENT.

Chief, F. C. Meinung; Assistant, W. C. Grunert. Secretary, J. W. T. Schott.

Part Paid.

Rough and Ready, Steamer, Two-Horse Hose, One-Horse Hose.

Eagle Hose Company, Hand Hose. Foreman, Ernest Shepperd; Secretary, Rufus Shore.

No.	Hose Reels	1
"	Horse Hose Wagons	2
"	Feet Rubber Hose	500
"	Feet Cotton Hose	2,500
	Total	3,000

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 70; domestic, 40.

Gamewell electric alarm system.

Number fire alarms from April 1, 1897, to April 1, 1898, 1.

The department is in good condition. Engine has been to shop, fitted with new boiler and other repairs and improvements at a cost of about $1,500. There are fifty-three fire hydrants and pipe lines on the principal streets of the town.

ENFIELD DEPARTMENT.

Chief, S. Meyer (elected by ballot); Assistant Chief, R. B. Butts; Secretary, S. Pearson.

Enfield Fire Company. Hand Engine, 27 men (white).

No.	Hand Hose Reels	1
"	Hand Hose Carriages	1
"	Feet Rubber Hose	300
"	Feet Cotton Hose	150
	Total	450
	Value of other property, etc	$800

Number fire alarms for year ending April 1, 1898, five; no accidents.

Since the organization of the company in 1891 there has been no building destroyed in the town limits.

GOLDSBORO DEPARTMENT.

No Chief; Assistant Chief, W. C. Badger; Secretary, F. M. Miller.
Goldsboro Fire Company No. 1, Horse Hose Wagon (white); oreman, J. W. Nash; Secretary, H. L. McCall.
Eclipse Steamer Fire Engine Company (white), Horse Hose Vagon and Engine; Foreman, F. W. Hilker; Secretary, Herder ash.
Electric Reel Company (white), Hand Reel; Foreman, H. A. Brown; ecretary, W. D. Creech.
Apparatus not in use: One Hand Hose Reel and one Double Tank hemical.

o. Hand Hose Reels	2
' Horse Hose Wagons	2
' Feet Rubber Hose	300
' Feet Cotton Hose	2,000
Total	2,300
alue real estate for fire purposes	$ 6,000
alue other property	13,000
Total	$19,000

KINSTON DEPARTMENT.

Foreman, Geo. B. Webb; Assistant Foreman, H. C Harrison; ief Engineer, J. D. Taylor; Assistant Chief Engineer, J. A. rvey.
Two Companies.
Kinston Steam Fire Engine Company No. 1.
Hose Carriage, two.

et of cotton hose	2,000
lue of real estate for fire purposes	$6,000

Water supply, river and eight artesian wells, an inexhaustible pply, 500 gallons per minute.
Number of fire alarms, ten.
Membership, fifty.

NEWBERNE DEPARTMENT.

Chief, T. D. Carroway, term expires first Wednesday in July; As sistant Chief, A. E. Hubbard; Secretary, W. P. Rue.

Five Companies.

Atlantic No. 1, Engine and Hose Wagon, 70 men (white); Fore man, W. F. Rhinehart; Secretary, J. C. Scales.

Newbern No. 1, Engine and Hose Wagon, 64 men (white); Fore man, A. H. Baugert; Secretary, H. Styron.

Fifth Ward Hose Company, Hose Reel (white); Foreman, J. C Gaither; Secretary, Fred. Thomas.

Sixth Ward Hose Company, Hose Reel (colored); Foreman, W H. Taylor; Secretary, W. A. Williams.

Rough and Ready Hook and Ladder Company (colored), forty Foreman, Chas. King; Secretary, Horace Bryan.

Apparatus not in use: two engines, used in case of emergency.

No. Hand Hose Reels	
" Hand Carriages	
" Horse Hose Wagons	
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Feet Cotton Hose	3,50
Value real estate for fire purposes	$ 5,00
Value other property, etc.	10,00
Total	$15,00

SALISBURY DEPARTMENT.

Chief, Chas. H. Swink, Hose Company No. 1, elected by ballo term expires January 1st, 1899; Assistant Chief, M. V. B. Capps Secretary, Bismark Capps.

Volunteer, eighteen men (white).

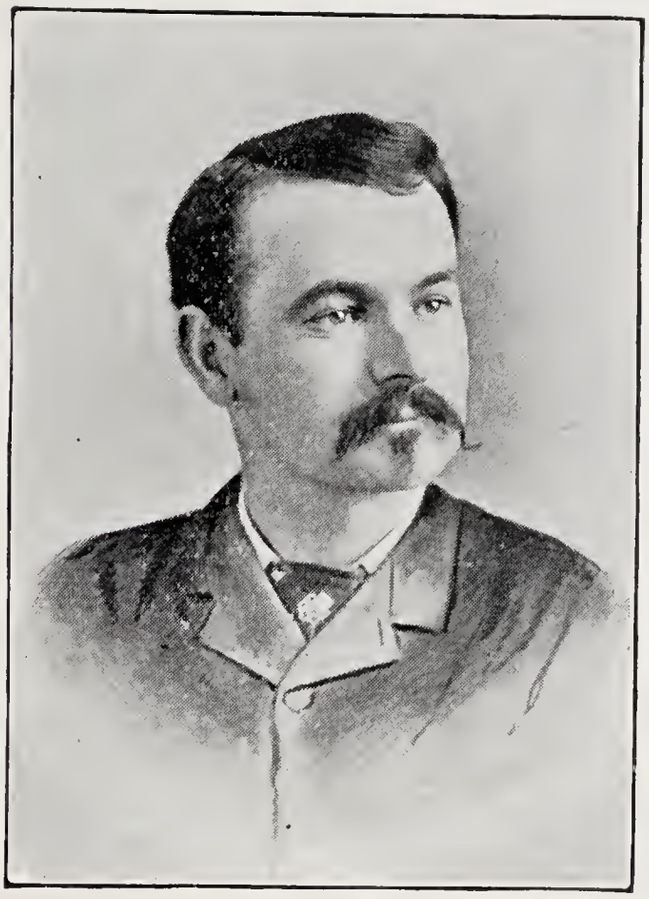
Hook and Ladder No. 1, eight men (colored).

No. Hand Hose Reels	
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	
No. Feet Rubber Hose	30
" Cotton Hose	1,5
Total	1,8
Value real estate used for fire purposes	$5,00
Amount insurance on property destroyed	1,60

Water supply from city water works: owned by private compan

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 70; domestic, 45.

Number fire alarms March 1st, 1897, to April 1st, 1898, eleven



Dr. J. W. GRIFFITH, Secretary.

GREENSBORO DEPARTMENT.

Chief, Jos. J. Stone, appointed by Mayor, term expires April 30, 99; Secretary, E. L. Clarke.

Six Companies—Five white and one colored (Volunteer).

Greensboro Steam Fire Engine Company No. 1, twenty men hite); Foreman, John Lewis; Secretary, Harry Lewis. One La ance Engine, Two-Horse Hose Wagon.

Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, Babcock Aeriel Truck, twenty n (white); Foreman, O. D. Boycott; Secretary, Lee G. Wharton.

Eagle Hose Company No. 7, one Horse Hose Wagon, twenty-five n (white); Foreman, F. N. Taylor; Secretary, H. Pozolt.

South Side Hose Company No. 4, one Horse Hose Wagon eight- n men (white); Foreman, J. H. Phipps; Secretary, W. L. Guthrie.

West End Hose Company, one Hand Hose Reel, twelve men hite); Foreman, W. H. Leonard; Secretary, F. C. Boyles.

Excelsior Hose Company, one Hand Hose Reel, twenty men (col- d); Foreman, Jno. Patterson; Secretary, J. W. Jones.

Apparatus not in use: one Chemical engine, three hand reels.

. Hand Hose Reels	3
Horse Hose Wagons	3
Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
Feet Rubber Hose	500
Feet Cotton Hose	3,000
lue real estate for fire purposes	$ 5,500
lue other property, etc.	25,000
Total	$30,500

Vater supper, Holly and Standpipe pressure, 50 lbs. pressure re- red for fire service.

amewell Electric Fire Alarm.

ASHEVILLE DEPARTMENT.

hief, Jas. P. Sawyer, term expires January 1st, 1899, elected by Council; Secretary, L. W. Jeanneret.

our Companies (Volunteer).

escue Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, one Two-Horse Truck en (white); Foreman, J. S. Fullman; Secretary, W. A. Warde, ose Company No. 1, one Two-Horse Reel, 25 men (white); Fore- , H. C. Fagg; Secretary, L. W. Jeanneret.

Hose Company No. 2, one Hand Reel, 5 men (white); Secretar G. F. Poor.

Hose Company No. 3, one Hand Reel, 5 men, (white); Secretar C. W. Baird.

Apparatus not in use: one hand reel.

Two Babcock extinguishers and three Miller extinguishers.

No. Hand Hose Reels	
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	
No. Feet Rubber Hose	1,6
" Feet Cotton Hose	2,5
Total	4,1
Value real estate for fire purposes	$10,0
Value other property	5,0
Amount of insurance on property destroyed	5,8
Loss over and above insurance	4

Water works, gravity, owned by city.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 94; domestic service, 60

Gamewell Electric Fire Alarm.

Number of fire alarms from March 1, 1897, to April 1, 1898, 31.

Accidents, 3; 102 days loss from business.

WILMINGTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, Chas. Schnibben, elected by Board of Aldermen; Assista Chief and Secretary, W. P. Monroe.

Five Companies (Paid).

Hook and Ladder No. 1, Rumsey Apparatus, 9 men (white); For man, W. P. Monroe; Secretary, J. Wanermaker.

Steamer Company No. 2, Silsby, 6 men (white); Foreman, B. I Russell; Secretary, W. A. Cannady.

Chemical Company No. 1 (Champion), 3 men; Foreman, P. Fric Secretary, P. Frick, Jr.

Engine Company No. 2, Silsby, 8 men (colored); Foreman, Mcl McDuffy; Secretary, Wm. Hall.

Hose Company No. 3, Hose Wagon, 6 men (colored); Forema Robt. Johnson; Secretary, E. Gaiese.

Apparatus not in use: Button engine, reserve reel, two hook a ladder trucks.

No. Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	3
" Horse Hose Wagons	1
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	3
" Feet Rubber Hose	200
" Feet Cotton Hose	5,200
Total	5,400
Value real estate for fire purposes	$12,500
Value other property, etc.	28,575
Total	$41,075

Water works, both direct and gravity; for fire service 125 pounds pressure; for domestic service, 40.

Gamewell Electric Fire Alarm System.

Sixty-one fire alarms from December 1, 1897, to April 1, 1898.

Accidents, 9; 28 days loss of time.

CONCORD DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. L. Boger, term expires June 1, 1899; Assistant Chief, R. V. Johnson; Secretary, R. H. White.

Two Companies (Volunteer).

Concord Hose and Reel Company, 18 men (white); Foreman, R. . Walthal; Secretary, R. H. White.

Concord Hook and Ladder Company (colored); Foreman, John arror; Secretary, Alex. Shuman.

o. Hand Hose Reels	1
' Horse Hose Reels	1
' Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
' Feet Rubber Hose	400
' Feet Cotton Hose	500
alue of real estate for fire purposes	$2,000
alue of other property, etc.	1,120
Total	$3,120

Water supply, one tank, gravity pressure; owned by private comny.

Pounds pressure required for fire service, 75; domestic, 25.

CHARLOTTE DEPARTMENT.

Chief, W. B. Glenn; elected by City Council; term expires Ma 1899; Assistant Chief, J. H. Mertz; Secretary, J. P. Beatty.

Three Companies (Volunteer and Paid).

Charlotte No 1 (paid), Hose Wagon and Truck, 16 men (white Foreman, E. F. Creswell; Secretary, J. P. Beatty.

Engine Company No. 2, Steamer, 4 men (white); Foreman, E. Creswell; Secretary, J. P. Beatty.

Neptune Company No. 3 (volunteer), Hose, Reel and Hand E gine, 40 men (colored); Foreman, George Miller; Secretary, J. Johnston.

No. Hand Hose Reels	
" Horse Hose Carriages, etc	
" Horse Hose Wagons	
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Feet Cotton Hose	3,0
Value real estate used for fire purposes	$ 5,8
Value all other property	6,6
Total	$12,5
Amount insurance on property destroyed	$5,0
Amount loss over and above insurance	3,0

Water works, direct pressure; owned by private company.

Pounds pressure for fire service, 80; domestic, 45.

Richmond Electric Fire Alarm System.

Two accidents and loss of 63 days from work.

FAYETTEVILLE DEPARTMENT.

Chief, Jas. D. McNeill, elected by City Council; term expires Ma 1899; Assistant Chief, John Roddick: Secretary, Jas. McNeill.

Three Companies (Partly Paid).

Chicora Steam Fire Engine Company No. 1, Silsby Steamer, men (white); Foreman, Jas. D. McNeill; Secretary, Jas. S. McNeil

Hose Company No. 1, Reel, 16 men; Foreman, G. L. Brandt.

Hose Company No. 2, Reel, 16 men; Foreman, C. D. Elliott.

Hose Wagon with Steamer.

No. Hand Hose Reels	
" Horse Hose Wagons	
" Feet Cotton Hose	2,5

/alue of real estate for fire purposes	$2,500
/alue of other property	3,500
Total	$6,000
ımount of insurance on property destroyed	$15,800
ımount of loss above insurance	1,165

Water works, both direct and gravity pressure; owned by private ɔmpany.

Pounds pressure required for fire service, 90; domestic, 90.

There were 23 fire alarms from March 1, 1897, to April 1, 1898. ccidents at cost of $50; 25 days loss from business.

During the past year the ratio of loss to amount involved has been ry slight. On one occasion (during electric storm February 16) ɔthing but the discipline and efficiency of the department saved the ty from total destruction. Its preservation was notable and will ng be remembered.

Respectfully submitted,

M. V. B. CAPPS, Statistician.

President McNeill:

have asked Chief Schnibben, of the Wilmington department, to e you a brief talk upon the great advantages of a chemical engine a fire department. I was hoping we would have representatives m those small towns that get burned out for lack of water supply.

Chief Schnibben:

Ve got our chemical engine the 5th of January, and, of course, it a new thing in town. Some of the people called it a steam piano, a soda water fountain and all that sort of thing, but I am glad ay that we came out all right. We had several fires—in fact, the ority of the fires were put out with the chemical engine. We one fire, I remember, which was pretty near out of the city ts, and no water to be gotten, and we saved three blocks with engine. If it hadn't been for it, it would have burned up. Of se, as to explaining the working of the thing, I can hardly do ; but I must say that I do not think that there is an up-to-date department that hasn't one. I notice that the city of Goldsboro one standing out there doing nothing. I think they ought to fix , and I hope to see more chemical engines in the North Caro- Fire Departments.

Under the head of Volunteer Reports, reports were hea from the following companies:

Fifth Ward Reel Company, Newbern.—Very good condition. All right.

Greensboro Fire Engine Company No. 1.—Good condition. Doi good work when we have an opportunity.

Eagle Hose Company, Greensboro.—Very fine company. W equipped. In first-class condition.

Rescue Hook and Ladder Company, Asheville.—A1 conditi Will show you what we can do.

Charlotte Fire Department.—In good shape.

Newbern Steam Fire Engine Company.—Very good condition. Apparatus all in use. Expect to show you to-morrow and next d what we can do.

Eagle Hose Company, Salem.—Very good condition.

Charlotte Hose Company No. 2.—Very good condition.

Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Company.—In good condition. Rea to go when the bell rings.

Durham Company No. 1.—In good condition.

Rough and Ready Fire Company, Salem.—Good condition. H had our engine overhauled.

Winston Fire Company No. 1.—In good shape.

Chicora Fire Company, Fayetteville.—Good condition.

Winston No. 2.—Good condition.

Salisbury.—In better condition than it ever has been.

Albemarle Fire Company, Elizabeth City.—In very good conditi

Howard Relief Fire Company, Wilmington.—All OK.

Steam Fire Engine Company No. 1, Wilmington.—Perfect con tion.

Southside Hose Company, of Greensboro.—Have made more p gress than ever before since the last annual meeting. Have re-ganized ourselves and taken out corporation papers. Have changed our old hand reel for a new hose wagon and horse.

Goldsboro Fire Company No. 1.—Good condition.

Eclipse Fire Company, Goldsboro.—Have a first-class compa 18 good men. We never surprise anybody, but we get to the first. Splendid engine, splendid hose wagon. We are ready work. Eighteen of our men can run, and run on time. We do care when we hear the bell, we are ready and willing to go.

Electric Reel Company, Goldsboro.—Delegate not present.

Wilson Fire Company.—Good shape.

Hook and Ladder Company, Wilmington.—Very good conditi good horses, 7 good men. Out all night, if necessary, when the rings.

Tarboro Hook and Ladder Company.—What we have is in good condition. We haven't as much hose as we need. I think we will be in better shape next year.

Rescue Fire Company, Raleigh.—Everything connected with it in good condition.

Womble Hook and Ladder Company, Raleigh.—Delegates not present.

Greensboro Hook and Ladder Company No. 1.—Have put in an up-to-date Babcock Aerial Truck, and were very much in hope we could bring it down and show it to the Association, as it might put some others of you in the notion of getting one.

Charlotte Reel Team.—We are not with you with a team, owing to most of the members having been called to the front. They will return in good heart and be with you at the next tournament.

Kinston Fire Department.—Good condition, nice pair of horses, good set of firemen. All we need is co-operation of citizens to make a fire department right.

Asheville Hose Company.—Have a good team. Have made up our minds to not let any building in Asheville burn down.

Rescue Hook and Ladder Company, Asheville.—Good company. One of the best in the State. Hope to have our truck and take off the first prize.

Moved and seconded that the Secretary notify Mayor Peterson of his election as an honorary member of this Association. Carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

President McNeill was put in nomination for re-election, and was unanimously elected.

Nominations for First Vice-President were now in order, and the name of Jos. J. Stone, of Greensboro, was put in nomination. He was elected by acclamation.

For Second Vice-President, the names of A. J. Gales and C. L. Badger were put in nomination. The name of Mr. Gales was withdrawn, and Mr. Badger was elected unanimously.

For Secretary, Dr. J. W. Griffith, of Greensboro, was put in nomination, and was elected by acclamation.

Nominations for Statistician being now in order, t names of W. P. Monroe, L. J. Taylor, Wm. Pfohl, and J. Gales were put in nomination. Mr. Taylor was electe

Mr. T. A. Green was unanimously re-eleted Treasure

The selection of a place for next meeting was now order, and Mr. R. D. Douglas put Greensboro in nomin tion. Invitations from the Industrial and Immigrati Association, the Board of Aldermen, and Mayor Nels were read. Chief Stone also invited the Association the name of the Fire Department of Greensboro.

Greensboro was selected, unanimously.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That this Convention, with a rising vote, extend than to the city of Goldsboro, and to the Chief of the Goldsboro F Department, for their kindness and courtesy.

Moved that the Judges and Timers for the Champio ship race be appointed at some other time by the Pre dent. Carried.

Moved and carried that Mayor Peterson be made honorary member of the Association.

Moved that P. O'Hebbard, representing Fabric F Hose Co., of New York, be made an honorary memb Carried.

Mr. O'Hebberd was called upon for a speech, and sa

Mr. President, Gentlemen:

I have very few words to say, for I can't talk except in connect with my business, and I don't want to talk shop all the time, bu I could take you individually and not collectively, I could tell y what I mean. I appreciate most highly the compliment bestow upon me, but at the same time, with all due consideration of all circumstances, and under these circumstances, I acknowledge w all due humility the courtesy and kind cordiality extended to me night, and with a feeling of brotherhood and philanthropic sym thy, and with every note in my body attuned to the work and aims of the Firemen's Association of North Carotina for the pro tion of property and life, and with every word sinking deep i my bosom, I am with you in all your resolutions, amid the ra and storms and when the skies are bright with sunshine. But at same time, I would like you in your moments of calm deliberation, a

T. A. GREEN, Treasurer.

e whole glamour of this occasion has passed away and the glory the great and grand meeting at Goldsboro, where I have had this eat and grand honor bestowed upon me, and have met with these gnified gentlemen who represent your departments—as I say, after l this has passed away, I want you gentlemen to think of the poor, mble man, who travels the world over, maybe without selling a ngle foot of hose and at the same time on salary and expenses.

In all candor, I appreciate the honor, and I shall be glad to do l I can for the Fire Departments. We have always responded llingly and readily to everything you have asked. We have pre-nted the Association with a very small prize, to be contested for your tournament, and we hope that we will be able to, and we will everything on earth that it is proper to do, in the ordinary course business, and we hope te emulate your examples of highminded-ss.

Chief Badger, of the Goldsboro Fire Department, thanked e Association for the resolution passed in favor of Golds-ro and the department.

Miss Lena Dail, mascot of Atlantic Reel Team, was made honorary member of the Association.

There being no further business, the Association ad-rned to meet in Greensboro August 1, 2, 3 and 4, 1899.

OFFICIAL PROGRAM AND PRIZE LIST.

TUESDAY, JULY 26TH.

Reception of delegates and visiting firemen.
11 a. m.—Convention called to order by the President.
Prayer.
Address of welcome.
Response.
Regular order of business.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27TH.

9 a. m.—Street parade.
11 a. m.—Steam fire engine contest (quickest run from start finish).
2 p. m.—Hand reel races.
4. p. m.—Horse hook and ladder race.
6. p. m.—Junior hand reel team race.

THURSDAY, JULY 28TH.

8 a. m.—Championship real team contest.
9:30 a. m.—Grab reel races.
11:30 a. m.—Horse hose wagon races.
2 p. m.—Quick steam engine.
Distance engines.
Foot race.
Bag race.
North Carolina Association Rules to govern all races.

LIST OF PRIZES.

ENGINES.

ngine making best run from start to finish, first prize.....$40 00
ngine making second best run from start to finish, second prize..... 20 00
ngine making third best run from start to finish..... 15 00
uickest steaming engine, first prize..... 35 00
uickest steaming engine, second prize..... 15 00
ngine throwing water fartherest, first prize..... 40 00
ngine throwing water fartherest, second prize..... 20 00

HORSE HOSE WAGON.

est time from start to finish, first prize..... 60 00
cond best time from start to finish, second prize..... 30 00
ird best time from start to finish, third prize..... 20 00

HORSE HOOK AND LADDER.

st time from start to finish, first prize..... 90 00
cond best time from start to finish, second prize..... 60 00

HAND HOOK AND LADDER.

st time from start to finish, first prize..... 50 00
cond best time from start to finish, second prize..... 25 00

HAND REEL CONTEST.

st time from start to finish, first prize..... 60 00
cond best time from start to finish, second prize..... 30 00
ird best time from start to finish, third prize..... 20 00

GRAB REEL RACE.

st time from start to finish, first prize..... 40 00
cond best time from start to finish, second prize..... 25 00

SPECIAL.

nior hand reel team, first prize..... 20 00
nior hand reel team, second prize..... 10 00
fastest individual runner, 100 yards..... 10 00
g race, 100 yards..... 5 00

SECOND DAY.

Long before the rising of the sun every fireman wa astir, making ready the apparatus for the grand parad It was an imposing sight to see the floats loaded down wit the fair sex, vieing with each other, seeing who could loo the sweetest, and the young men members of the differe companies in line with their bright, gay uniforms on, se ing which should win the prize for the largest and be looking company.

Promptly at the appointed hour the line was formed o the Main street in the following order:

PARADE FORMATION.

Platoon of Mounted Police.
Durham Cornet Band, 20 strong.
Officers N. C. S. F. A. in carriages.
Mayor and City Council and visiting Mayors in carriages.
Delegates N. C. S. F. A. in carriages.
Then came the visiting Fire Companies, with Atlantic S. F. E Co., of Newberne, in the lead, the rear being brought up by th Goldsboro Department.

After marching through the principal streets, the com panies were disbanded by the steamers drawing up to th cisterns to prepare for "Quick Steam from Start to Finish Contest:

ENTRIES.

Atlantic S. F. E. Co. No. 1, Newberne.
Eclipse S. F. E. Co., Goldsboro.
Newberne S. F. E. Co., Newberne.

JUDGES—Thos. Daniels, Sr., Jno. Roddick, A. A. Joseph.

STARTER—Dr. J. W. Griffith.

TIMERS—C. L. Badger, W. B. Glenn, Jno. L. Hare.

TIME—Atlantics. 3 min. 5½ sec.
Eclipse, 8 min. 13 sec.
Newberne, 2 min. 53¾ sec.

QUICK STEAMING CONTEST.

ENTRIES.

Atlantic S. F. E. Co. No. 1, Newberne.
Newberne S. F. E. No. 1, Newberne.

JUDGES—Thos. Daniels, Sr., Jno. Roddick, A. A. Joseph.

STARTER—Dr. J. W. Griffith.

TIMERS—C. L. Badger, W. B. Glenn, Jno. L. Hare.

TIME—Atlantics, 2 min. 34½ sec.
Newberne, 2 min. 36¾ sec.

HAND REEL CONTEST.

ENTRIES.

Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, Greensboro.
Eagle Hose Co. No. 4, Salem.
Atlantic S. F. E. Co., Newberne.
Newberne S. F. E. Co., Newberne.
Chicora S. F. E. Co., Fayetteville.
Durham Hose Co. No. 1, Durham.
Electric Reel Co., Goldsboro.

JUDGES—W. C. Badger, R. D. Douglas, Frank White, A. J. Gales.

STARTER—Dr. J. W. Griffith.

TIMERS—C. L. Badger, W. B. Glenn, Jno. L. Hare.

TIME—S. F. E. Co. No. 1, Greensboro, 31½ seconds.
Eagle Hose Co. No. 4, Salem, 33 2-5 seconds.
Atlantic S. F. E. Co., Newberne, 30 seconds.
Newberne S. F. E. Co., Newberne, 32 2-5 seconds.
Chicora S. F. E. Co., Fayetteville, 34 2-5 seconds.
Durham Hose Co. No. 1, Durham, 32¼ seconds.
Electric Reel Co., Goldsbore, 33 seconds.

HORSE HOOK AND LADDER CONTEST.

ENTRIES.

escue H. & L. Co., Asheville.

JDGES—W. C. Badger, R. D. Douglas, Frank White, A. J. Gales.

STARTER—Dr. J. W. Griffith.

TIMERS—C. L. Badger, W. B. Glenn, Jno. L. Hare.

TIME—Rescue H. & L. Co., Asheville, 45 seconds.

There being but one entry, the rules governing this contest w suspended for this occasion and one entry allowed.

JUNIOR HAND REEL CONTEST.

ENTRIES.

Goldsboro Junior Reel Team.
Chicora Junior Reel Team, Fayetteville.

JUDGES—W. C. Badger, R. D. Douglas, Frank White, A. Gales.

STARTER—Dr. J. W. Griffith.

TIMERS—C. L. Badger, W. B. Glenn, Jno. L. Hare.

TIME—Goldsboro Juniors, 1 min. 24 sec.
Chicora Juniors, Fayetteville, 1 min. 21½ sec.

The distance run in this contest was 100 yards, goverened by same rules as other contests except distance.

THIRD DAY.

CHAMPIONSHIP REEL TEAM CONTEST.

ENTRIES.

Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1, Greensboro.
Eagle Hose Co. No. 4, Salem.
Atlantic S. F. E. Co. No. 1, Newberne.
Newberne S. F. E. Co. No. 1, Newberne.
Chicora S. F. E. Co., Fayetteville.
Durham Hose Co. No. 1, Durham.
Electric Reel Team, Goldsboro.

JUDGES—W. C. Badger, R. D. Douglas, Frank White, A. J. Gales.

STARTER—Dr. J. W. Griffith.

TIMERS—C. L. Badger, W. B. Glenn, Jno. L. Hare.

TIME—S. F. E. Co., Greensboro. Blew off.
Eagle Hose Co. No. 4, Salem, 54¾ seconds.
Atlantics, Newberne. Ruled out.
Newberne S. F. E. Co., Newberne, 54 3-5 seconds.
Chicora, Fayetteville. Withdrew.
Durham Hose Co. No. 1. Withdrew.
Electric Reel Team, Goldsboro. Blew off.

A protest was entered by the Nozzle Judge claiming the nozzle an of the Atlantic team screwed up the nozzle to the required num- er of threads after water was running out the end of the nozzle. The Executive Committee and Judges were called together and ter investigation found as follows:

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The decision of the Judges in the Championship Reel Race, which as contested by one of the Judges, charging that the nozzle man ntinued to screw up the nozzle after the water started, the same ing continued to be screwed contrary to the rules governing said ce.

The final decision of the Judges is that the Atlantic Reel Team, Newberne, be ruled out and not entitled to time.

GRAB REEL CONTEST.

ENTRIES.

S. F. E. Co. No. 1, Greensboro.
Eagle Hose Co. No. 4, Salem.
Atlantic S. F. E. Co., Newberne.
Newberne S. F. E. Co., Newberne.
Chicora, Fayetteville.
Durham Hose Co. No. 1.
Electric Real Team, Goldsboro.

JUDGES—W. C. Badger, R. D. Douglas, Frank White, A. Gales.

STARTER—Dr. J. W. Griffith.

TIMERS—C. L. Badger, W. B. Glenn, Jno. L. Hare.

TIME—S. F. E. Co. No. 1, Greensboro, 21¼ seconds.
Eagle Hose Co. No. 4, Salem, 22¾ seconds.
Atlantic S. F. E. Co., Newberne, 21 4-5 seconds.
Newberne S. F. E. Co., Newberne, 25 seconds.
Chicora, Fayetteville. Withdrew.
Durham Hose Co. No. 1, 22 seconds.
Electric Reel Team, Goldsboro, 25 seconds.

HORSE HOSE WAGON CONTEST.

ENTRIES.

Durham Hose Co. No. 1, Durham.
Wilson S. F. E. Co. No. 3, Wilson.
Goldsboro Fire Co. No. 1, Goldsboro.
Eclipse S. F. E. Co., Goldsboro.
Newberne S. F. E. Co., Newberne.
Atlantic S. F. E. Co., Newberne.

JUDGES—W. C. Badger, R. D. Douglas, Frank White, A. Gales.

STARTER—Dr. J. W. Griffiith.

TIMERS—C. L. Badger, W. B. Glenn, Jno. L. Hare.

TIME—Durham Hose Co. No. 1, 44 2-5 seconds.
Wilson S. F. E. Co. Failed to start.
Goldsboro Fire Co. No. 1. Started best; no finish.
Eclipse, Goldsboro, 38 3-5 seconds.
Newberne S. F. E. Co., 45¾ seconds.
Atlantics, Newberne, 44½ seconds.

L. J. TAYLOR, Statistician.

QUICK STEAMING CONTEST.

ENTRIES.

Atlantic S. F. E. Co. No. 1, Newberne.
Newberne S. F. E. Co. No. 1, Newberne.
Eclipse S. F. E. Co., Goldsboro.

JUDGES—W. C. Badger, R. D. Douglas, Frank White, A. J. Gales.

STARTER—Dr. J. W. Griffith.

TIMERS—C. L. Badger, W. B. Glenn, Jno. L. Hare.

TIME—Atlantics, 2 min. 34½ sec.
Newberne, 2 min. 36¾ sec.

DISTANCE—Atlantics, 189½ feet.
Newberne. Withdrew.
Eclipse, Goldsboro, 178½ feet.

INDIVIDUAL FOOT RACE.

ENTRIES.

Geo. Crutchfield and Henry Donnell, Greensboro.
Geo. Brandt and R. H. Dye, Fayetteville.
Curtis Prince and Samuel Pate, Goldsboro.
. E. Tesh, Salem.
. T. Wallace, Asheville.
. W. Timberlake and Dr. Geo. Dudley, Atlantics, Newberne.
. F. Mathews and C. C. Thornton, S. F. E. Co., Newberne.

UDGES—W. C. Badger, R. D. Douglas, Frank White, A. J. Gales.

TARTER—Dr. J. W. Griffith.

IMERS—C. L. Badger, W. B. Glenn, Jno. L. Hare.

eo. Brandt won in 10½ seconds.

SACK RACE.

ENTRIES.

eo. Crutchfield and Henry Donnell, Greensboro.

enry Donnell won the prize in 17 seconds.

hus ended one of the most successful tournaments ever d under the supervision of the North Carolina State emen's Association. The records made are far in ad- ice of any ever before made in the State.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

Be it Resolved by the North Carolina State Firemen's Association:

First. That this Association has heard with profound regret and sorrow that since our last meeting our friend and brother firemen, WILLIAM T. McCARTHY, of the Atlantic Company, of Newberne, has been called from our midst by the hand of the Almighty.

Second. That in the death of WILLIAM T. McCARTHY this Association has lost a member whom we have ever found true to our ideal of a fireman and a man; one who has endeared himself to us all by his devotion to duty and simple, manly worth.

Third. That we deeply sympathize with his family, his friends and his company in their great loss and assure them that his memory will ever live in this Association.

Fourth. That a page of our minutes be set aside and these resolutions be spread thereon; that a copy be published in our official organ, *The Volunteer Fireman*, and that a copy be sent to his family with the assurance of our heartfelt sympathy.

R. D. DOUGLAS,
Chairman Committee.

IN MEMORIAM.

GUY F. STYRON,
NEWBERNE, N. C., September 20, 1894.

ED. B. ENGELHARD,
RALEIGH, N. C., February 9, 1895.

N. V. HERNDON,
DURHAM, N. C., March 8, 1895.

FRANK BRANAN,
RALEIGH, N. C., May 14, 1895.

CHARLES LEWIS,
GREENSBORO, N. C., June 17, 1895.

JOHN W. FINK,
CONCORD, N. C., July 15, 1895.

JOHN G. CAUKLE,
SALISBURY, N. C., July 10, 1896.

CHARLES WARREN,
DURHAM, N. C., June 10, 1897.

J. W. STAFFORD,
GOLDSBORO, N. C., —— ——.

W. T. McCARTHY,
NEWBERNE, N. C., March 25, 1898.

Rules Governing Tournaments and Races He Under the Supervision of the Association.

RULE I.

There shall be held annually an Association Tourname at such time and place as the Association shall from ti to time direct, at which Tournament, and no other, t championship of the various branches of the firemen's s vice shall be contested for.

All Tournaments shall be under the auspices of the A sociation, but the arrangements shall be made by the fi men and citizens at the place at which it is to be held.

RULE II.

SECTION 1. Champion prizes, other than money priz shall be the property of the Association, subject to th call and control, but will be in possession of the champi Companies until within ten days of the meeting of the A sociation, when it shall be returned to the Secretary, a by him put in safe keeping until the day of the races, a then he shall place the same in the hands of the judges the race for which the prize is offered, before the Com nies start in said race.

SEC. 2. This Association shall have power to suspe any Company from participating in any Annual Tour ment.

SEC. 3. All Companies, members of this Associati can contest for prizes at the Annual Tournament, unle suspended.

SEC. 4. All prizes hereafter ofiered for contest at t Annual Tournament of the Association, for which the has been no competition, shall revert to the North Ca

lina State Firemen's Association, to be by said Association devoted to the purchase of permanent Association Championship prizes, to be competed for as provided for in the preceding section.

RULE III.

SECTION 1. The Captains of the competing teams shall select Judges and Time-Keepers, at each Annual Tournament, who shall decide each and every contest which takes place at said Tournament. That no one shall serve as a Judge in any of the contests who is not a resident of the State of North Carolina, and who is a member of a competing company taking part in these contests, and the decision of these Judges shall be final. That each team shall have a representative in the Judges' stand while that team is racing.

RULE IV.

SECTION 1. Any Company attempting to win a prize by fraud, deception or foul play, or in any dishonorable way, or who shall disobey or infringe upon or evade any of the requirements of these Rules, shall forfeit any prize won thereby, and shall be subject to suspension or expulsion.

SEC. 2. None but regular organized Companies, who have been organized as such at least thirty days prior to the Annual Tournament, and are members of this Association, can compete for any championship, and no person shall be allowed to run with or assist any Company in any contest who has not been a member of said Company at least thirty days prior to such contest.

SEC. 3. No Company shall be allowed more than one trial in any contest.

RULE V.

SECTION 1. Every person taking any part in any contest requiring running shall be required to start with his company from the starting point.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Starting Judges to start each team by saying, "Are you ready?" after which

a pistol will be fired or an electric bell sounded, and tim taken from these.

SEC. 3. All contestants in races must be decentl clothed, the Executive Committee to decide.

RULE VI.

SECTION 1. The Start and Outcome Judges in any con test shall, by means of flag signals, signify the readines for a start prior to any run.

SEC. 2. Timers must be placed at the Outcome and tim must be settled by them before reporting to the Judges and they must report their readiness to Judges at Out come before each team is started.

RULE VII.

SECTION 1. The names of the contestants in each team and the names of not more than four substitutes in eac team, must be handed to the Secretary of the Associatio prior to the contest, and such list must be accompanied b a certificate from the Foreman and Secretary of the Com pany to which the team belongs that such parties are actu members of thirty days' standing in said Company.

SEC. 2. In case of a tie being made by teams in an contest, the Judges shall immediately order such teams t run over, and said contest shall be the deciding run of suc contest.

RULES GOVERNING HOSE COMPANIES.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP CONTESTS.

SECTION 1. Any cart capable of carrying 500 feet of regulation hose may be used. Number not to exceed sixteen men and a Foreman.

SEC. 2. Hose race, wet or dry, distance to hydrant 200 yards, lay 300 feet of hose, uncouple, put on pipe, time to be called when pipe is dropped to the ground in dry run, and when water leaves the pipe in wet run, carts not to carry less than 350 feet of hose reeled into one continuous line. Companies not to exceed sixteen men and a Foreman.

SEC. 3. Center of reel of hose cart or carriage to be on the starting line.

SEC. 4. Pipe to be carried on cart or by pipeman from the start. Pipe shall be of such style or pattern as teams may select, *provided always*, they are suitable for active service. *No couplings other than standard screw couplings shall be allowed.*

SEC. 5. Sixteen men and a Foreman allowed in all Hose Races; no man to start ahead of leaders or to fall in and assist in dragging the apparatus after the start.

SEC. 6. No professional runner will be allowed to compete in any contest. The term, "professional runner," is applied to one who has or is following racing as a profession or means of a livelihood, and common reputation shall be deemed conclusive evidence of such profession, which shall be determined by the Executive Committee.

SEC. 7. All couplings used must be standard screw couplings, eight threads to the inch and adapted to two and one-half inch fire hose; the hose on each coupling not to be shorter than fifty feet.

SEC. 8. All work must be done by hands or spanner.

SEC. 9. Snap, spring and unproportioned couplings, or any attachment to couplings to assist in breaking or making, BARRED.

SEC. 10. When time is called competitors must step back for Judges to examine. Judges must chalk pipe and couplings before moving, then turn pipe off to see that it takes the required three turns to disconnect.

SEC. 11. That the Association, at its meeting previous to the time such Championship Race shall come off, shall elect three Judges, one Timekeeper and one whose duty it shall be to take charge of the Race under the above Rules and report the results to the Secretary as soon as the Race is over.

HAND HOOK AND LADDER CONTESTS.

Trucks to be weighed and one man allowed to every seventy-five (75) pounds—Captain and Ladderman not included with the running team, but to run in the contest.

Distance to be run one hundred (100) yards—unstrap and take off three ledders, raise the third ladder (which must not be less than thirty (30) feet long, man to ascend and touch top piece of ladder and descend, replacing all ladders and strap down. Ladders must be raised by hand—no hooks or poles allowed.

Ladderman must start from bottom round.

No less than two entries required.

No Truck Company will be allowed to form a Reel Team.

RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING MONEY PRIZES.

STEAMER CONTEST.

QUICK STEAM FROM START TO FINISH.

Two entries required.

Engine to come to starting point, hitched up. To run 200 yards, take suction, attach hose and throw water 50 feet from nozzle through not less than 98 feet of hose.

Time of firing engine optional after signal to start is given. Driver, Engineer and Stoker to ride on engine. Hose Wagon to follow with not more than six men, exclusive of driver. Time to be taken from starting signal until water goes over the 50-foot line. Quantity and quality of fuel optional.

QUICK STEAM—TWO TO ENTER.

Steamer to come to cistern empty and cold; to be filled with cold water until the engineer running the engine says "stop"; fuel to be furnished by the Judges, and must be the same as fired with in case of fire (either wood or coal and not over one-half gallon of alcohol or oil). Time to be taken from first appearance of smoke from top of stack, and to throw water 50 feet, through not less than 48 feet of hose. That the stack on engines in all contests from this time forward shall not exceed two feet.

DISTANCE—TWO TO ENTER.

Steamer throwing water the greatest distance, with not over 100 pounds of steam, through not less than 48 feet of hose, size of nozzle optional.

HAND REEL CONTEST.

TWO TO ENTER.

Sixteen men and a Foreman allowed.

Reel not to carry less than 148 feet of standard two an one-half inch hose; to be connected on the start as whe ready for duty at fires (three full threads or turns); to ru 150 yards, unreel not less than 98 feet of hose, attach sam to plug, screw pipe to hose (any size nozzle), throw wate in quicket time. The butt to drop opposite or beyond th plug, or Company shall be ruled out. (It is understood b "butt to drop opposite or beyond the plug" to mean tha water from nozzle shall show at this point). The plug mus be closed, cap on three threads, at the time of the Com pany's starting on run, and shall be opened by the wrench man running with the Company. No straps or snaps coup lings allowed.

The hose must be let go as soon as attached to the plug If the butt is blown off the Company shall be ruled ou No couplings shall be used without nipples.

No Company will be allowed to assist another. In th run each Company is required to furnish a roll of its men bers to the secretary of the Association on the morning o the first day, at as early an hour as possible. Fifteen min utes will be allowed each Company after the Judge's signa of ready, and any Company failing to start within that tim shall be ruled out. Two entries required. No one allowe inside the ropes except the Company making the run. Th Company making the best time wins the first prize. N Company allowed to enter more than one team.

GRAB RACE CONTEST.

Company to run 50 yards, grab reel and run 50 yards t plug, unreel not less than 48 feet of hose, attach same t plug and throw water—drag rope to be up or down (optiona with Company). Plug must be closed when Company start

to run, same as the Reel Contest. Coupling to be broken opposite or beyond the plug. Should butt or nozzle blow off, Company to be ruled out.

HAND TRUCK HOOK AND LADDER RACE.

Companies allowed one man to every 75 pounds, exclusive of Ladderman and Captain. Must run 100 yards, unstrap and take off three ladders, raise the third ladder (which must be not less than 30 feet long), men to ascend and touch top piece or round of ladder and descend, replace all ladders and strap down.

Ladders must be raised by hand. No hooks or poles allowed. Ladderman must start from bottom round.

Not less than two entries allowed. No Hose Company allowed to form or assist a Truck Company.

HOOK AND LADDER CONTEST—HORSE TRUCK.

TWO TO ENTER.

Companies allowed One or Two-Horse Truck. Trucks to be weighed. Weight for one horse not less than 1,500 pounds, *exclusive of driver and men;* for two horses not less than 2,600 pounds. Horse or horses to be hitched to truck, rear wheels on starting line, and run 300 yards; take off one 30-foot ladder, man to ascend and touch top piece or round of ladder and descend; replace ladder on truck in same position as when removed. Ladder must be raised by hand. No hooks or poles allowed. Not less than two entries allowed. No Hose Company allowed to form or assist a Truck Company. Not more than sixteen men allowed, exclusive of driver and ladderman.

HORSE REEL RACE.

TWO TO ENTER.

Companies allowed the use of any four-wheeled Hose Car riage or Wagon, either one or two horse, to carry not les than 350 feet standard two and one-half inch hose; Carriag or Wagon to be weighed; weight for one horse not less tha 1,200 pounds, *exclusive of driver and men;* for two horse not less than 2,600 pounds, *exclusive of driver and men;* th driver, buttman and coupling breaker shall ride on Car riage or Wagon, horse or horses to be standing hitched t Hose Carriage or Wagon, and run 200 yards to hydrant unreel not less than 288 feet of hose, break coupling an attach pipe and show water; water must show within 5 feet of 288-foot line; hose to be reeled on Carriage or place in Wagon, connected with three full threads. The plu must be closed at the time of the Company starting, an cannot be opened until hose is first started to be unreeled Companies allowed five men in addition to those who rid and can be placed in such position as desired. Time take from first signal until water shows. If butt or pipe blow off, Company shall be ruled out.

ONE HUNDRED YARD FOOT RACE CONTEST.

Men to run 100 yards. Two men to be selected by th Captain of each Company. The one making the best tim wins the prize.

OTHER EVENTS.

SACK RACE.

Contestants to be enveloped in bags to the neck, run 5 yards. All persons entering must run at the same time

BARROW RACE.

To run 50 yards. Contestants to be blindfolded. Th one coming nearest the mark wins the prize.

GENERAL RULES.

All contestants will be required to take part in the parade, nless excused for satisfactory reasons, same to be made ı writing.

In no case will a second trial be allowed.

Each Company's run will be decided by lot.

Captains will select all Judges on the morning of the con-ests.

All competing Companies must furnish the Judges with eight of apparatus—to be weighed on city scales.

Companies wishing couplings—city standard, eight ıreads to the inch—will be furnished with the same on pplication to the Chief of Fire Department.

Hose will be furnished on day of the contest if desired.

No person will be allowed to enter any of the contest nless he is a *bona fide* member of the Company with which e enters.

N. B.—Judges must be governed by the above RULES, s no changes will be allowed under any circumstances.

An Act to Incorporate the North Carolina Stat Firemen's Association.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in Ge eral Assembly Convened:

SECTION 1. That C. D. Benbow, J. G. Fowler, H. J. Ela A. T. Boyd, C. F. Thoms, J. R. Donnell, Charles Whittin ton and S. D. Wilson, of Greensboro; J. D. McNeill, of Fa etteville; J. T. Thacker, W. F. Keith, S. A. Sink, C. A. Snip F. H. Vogler, F. C. Meinung, of Winston-Salem; E. B. Eng hard, T. W. Blake, F. H. Lumsden and F. Branan, of Raleig H. E. Heartt, of Durham; B. J. Swinson, of Charlotte, a such other persons as are associated with them, and the successors, be, and they hereby are, constituted a bo politic and corporate by the name of the North Carolin State Firemen's Association, and by that name sue and sued, and prosecute and defend suits in all courts in th State, and may have and use a common seal, and alter t same at pleasure. May take contracts and be capable law of purchasing, holding and conveying any real or pe sonal estate for the use and benefit of said Association corporation: *provided*, that said corporation shall not at a time hold real or personal estate of a greater amount th ten thousand ($10,000) dollars.

SEC. 2. The purposes for which said Association is orga ized are: The protection and promotion of the best inte ests of the Firemen of North Carolina, the compilation fire statistics, the collection of information concerning t practical workings of different systems of organization the examination and inquiry concerning the merits of t different kinds of apparatus in use and the improvements

ıe same, the cultivation of a fraternal fellowship between ıe different Companies of the State.

SEC. 3. Said Association or corporation shall have power) appoint officers, hold meetings, to adopt a Constitution ıd enact such By-Laws in such manner as their Constitu-on may prescribe, and make sucn rules and regulations ; may be necessary to carry into effect the objects and ms of the Association: *provided*, that such Constitution ıd By-Laws, rules and regulations be not repugnant to ıe Constitution of the State and of the United States.

SEC. 4. That this act shall be in force from and after its tification.

Ratified the 11th day of March, A. D. 1889.

THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

PREAMBLE.

We, the members of the North Carolina State Firemen Association, in order to form a more perfect organizatio establish harmony of action, insure prosperity and succes provide pecuniary support, secure protection and promo the best interest of the Firemen of North Carolina, a compile statistics of information concerning the practic working of various systems and the merits of vario apparatus in use for the extinguishing of fires, also the c tivation of fraternal fellowship between the several F Departments of the State, do hereby establish the follo ing Constitution and By-Laws:

Constitution and By-Laws.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. This organization shall be known as t North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

ARTICLE II.

SECTION 1. The officers of this Association shall consi of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer a Statistician, and they shall constitute the Executive Co mittee, and will hold their respective offices for one yea or until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

SEC. 2. The officers shall be elected at the annual me ing of the Association by ballot, the successful candida to receive a majority of the votes cast.

ARTICLE III.

SECTION 1. The members of this Association shall consist of the several Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs of Fire Departments, Fire Marshals, Superintendents of Fire Alarm Telegraph, and each regular organized Fire Company in the several Fire Departments of the State, said persons and Companies complying with the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of this Association; all individual members of such Fire Company shall, also, by virtue of their membership in such Company, be members of this Association for the purpose of participating in the benefits of this Association, and the funds distributed by it, so long as said Company remains a member of this Association and complies with the Constitution and By-Laws, and no longer. But should any member fail to pay his *pro rata* assessment, when called for, he shall be debarred from the privileges of this Association.

SEC 2. Any member injured or made sick by disease contracted in the actual discharge of his duty, as a Fireman, shall be entitled to benefits from the "Firemen's Relief Fund" of this Association as follows: At the rate of two ($2.00) dollars while totally unable to attend to his ordinary business by reason of such injury or sickness, but such beneficiary, arising from any particular injury or sickness, shall not lose time longer than *one hundred* days from date of such injury, or beginning of such disability created by such sickness; but when partially disabled may receive $2.00 per day for not exceeding twenty days; but the Executive Committee may extend such benefits to the next annual meeting of the Association held next after the expiration of said period of one hundred days, and the Association at the annual meeting will, at its pleasure, determine the time for which such benefits may be received. That 10 per cent. be deducted from all claims for benefits and placed to the credit of the General Fund to defray expenses of the same. In case of death from such sickness or injury, this Association shall pay to the widow of the

deceased $250.00 and $50.00 for funeral expenses, and i case the deceased should have no relatives, this amoun shall be paid into the treasury of the Company of which h was a member. Every person or Company eligible an desiring to become a member of this Association shall mak application to the Secretary, and at the same time pay t the Secretary the prescribed membership fee, and there upon, if such applicant be eligible, he shall become a mem ber of this Association.

SEC. 3. Every Fire Company in the State, which is member of this Association, shall, on or before the firs day of August in each year, elect two delegate and, also two alternates, to serve for the ensuing year, with the Chie Engineer and First Assistant of the various department as delegates at large, who are entitled to one vote each They shall be beneficiary members of this Association an shall show on our beneficiary roll.

SEC. 4. All Companies represented in this Associatio must be in full accord and in good standing in the Fire De partment where they are located, and if at any time the are not so, they shall forfeit all right to membership in thi Association; but that Companies who retire from activ service for a term of not more than two years shall be con sidered entitled to all privileges of the Convention.

ARTICLE IV

SECTION 1. The annual meeting of the Association shal be held at such time and place, in each and every year, as the Executive Committee may select, as a majority of the members present of the Association shall designate, and special meetings may be called by the President or a major ity of the Executive Committee.

SEC. 2. A failure to hold any annual meeting at the time designated in the Constitution shall in nowise make a dis solution of the Association.

SEC. 3. The Executive Committee shall meet at such time and place as they may decide, on a call of the President or a majority of said Committee.

ARTICLE V.

SECTION 1. If any vacancy shall occur by reason of death, esignation of office or membership of any officers of this ssociation, such vacancy may be filled by the Executive ommittee for the unexpired term for which said officer as elected.

ARTICLE VI.

SECTION 1. This Association shall have power to alter, mend or revise this Constitution and By-Laws, but it shall e necessary for a two-thirds vote of the members of the ssociation present *entitled to vote: provided*, the proposed mendment shall be submitted in writing at a previous eeting of the Executive Committee.

By-Laws.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the President to prede over the meetings of the Association and to sign all ders duly granted by the Association or Executive Comittee.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to perrm all the duties of the President in his absence.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a mplete record of the proceedings of the Association, to ceive and answer all communications pertaining to the ssociation. To keep a roster of the names of the different mpanies composing the Association and the individual embership thereof, and to collect the initiation fee and r capita tax, to pay the same over to the Treasurer, taking s receipt therefor. He shall receive as compensation for s services $100 per annum, to be paid quarterly by warnt on the Treasurer, signed by the President.

SEC. 4. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys collected the Secretary and receipt to him for the same. He shall

collect annually from the State Treasurer the amount appr priated by the Legislature for the Firemen's Relief Fun He shall disburse no moneys except on order of the Pres dent or by instruction of the Association in annual meetir assembled. At the annual meeting he shall make a fu report of all moneys received and disbursed by him, ar shall execute a bond to the State of North Carolina to tl amount of $5,000, to be approved and filed with the Trea urer of the said State of North Carolina, and shall make detailed report to the said Treasurer of the yearly expe ditures of the Firemen's Relief Fund. He shall execute bond in the sum of $800 to this Association for the securi of the General Fund, said bond must be approved by tl Executive Committee. He shall receive $150 compens tion as annual salary, to be paid quarterly by warrant issue by the Secretary and signed by the President.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the Statistician to correct compile the statistics of each village and city in the Stat of all matters pertaining to the fire service, annually co recting the previous reports, which shall include ever thing of interest to our Firemen, and be so arranged as be comprehensive in its every detail. The expense of a printing, printed matter and postage necessary in the sen ing for and receiving of such information to be paid by tl Association, and he shall receive $25 annually for his se vices.

SEC. 6. The duty of the Executive Committee shall l to have published the proceedings of the Association, transact all business of the Association during the time i tervening between the annual meetings, and they sha constitute a Board of Trustees for the management of a funds of the Association. At all meetings of the Executiv Committee a majority of the Committee shall constitute quorum, and a majority of such quorum may determine a questions.

ARTICLE II.

SECTION 1. Each Company shall pay a membership f of five dollars, and fifty cents per capita yearly thereaft

in advance, for dues; and each Chief, Asssistant Chief, Fire Marshal and Superintendent of Fire Alarm Telegraph shall pay one dollar annual dues in advance. The Secretary of the Association shall be exempt from the payment of annual dues.

SEC 2. The annual dues shall be paid on or before the first day of January in each year, in advance for the ensuing year. And all members who fail to comply with this Section shall, thereupon, and by reason of such failure, cease to be members of this Association and cannot again become members except by a new application, made in regular form, and paying the prescribed fee for membership.

SEC. 3. Any individual or Company, members of this Association, who, at any time, fail to act in a gentlemanly manner, may, upon charges being brought before the Association, be expelled from said Association by a majority vote of the membership.

SEC. 4. Any exempt Fireman may, upon the payment of two dollars and of the regular annual dues, become a member of this Association, with all the rights and privileges of any other member.

ARTICLE III.

SECTION 1. All members sick or injured in the line of fire duty shall be entitled to the benefits from the Firemen's Relief Fund of this Association as follows: At the rate of two dollars each day, while unable to attend to their regular business, as provided for in the Constitution. That 10 per cent. be deducted from all claims for benefits, and placed to the credit of the General Fund to defray expenses of the same.

SEC. 2. In case of death from sickness or injury received in the performance of fire duty $250.00, and $50.00 for funeral expenses.

SEC. 3. For the widow; in case there is no widow, to the children; if there is no child or children, to the mother of

the deceased Fireman, the sum of $250.00, and $50.00 fo funeral expenses; and in case there be no relatives, to b paid to the Treasurer of the Company of which he was member.

SEC. 4. The Chief, or Acting Chief, shall certify befor a Magistrate or Notary Public, on blank form, in triplicat furnished by the Secretary, all particulars regarding eac case where a benefit is required, accompanied by the ce tificate of the attending physician.

SEC. 5. Applications for benefits shall be made to th Secretary, in compliance with forms to be furnished b him for that purpose, and shall be made within thirty day after receiving the injury or contracting the disease com plained of; but said time for making said application ma be extended by the Executive Committee for good caus shown.

SEC. 6. The action of the Association upon all questior that may arise as to granting or referring relief and ben fits, both as to amount thereof and the person claimin and as incidental thereto, upon all questions relating to th right or claims of membership, shall be final and conclu sive, and the action of the Executive Committee upon sai questions shall in like manner and extent be final and co clusive until the same be changed by the Association at it annual meeting.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The presiding officer shall preserve order and dec rum; all questions of order shall be decided by him, sub ject to an appeal to the Association.

2. Every member when he speaks shall rise, standin in his place, address the presiding officer, and shall omi personalities, and confine himself to the question unde debate.

3. When two or more members shall rise at once, the presiding officer shall name the one who shall speak first.

4. A member when called to order shall immediately sit down, unless permitted to explain by the chair. If there be no appeal, the decision shall be conclusive.

5. Every delegate shall vote, unless excused by the Association, but no delegate shall vote on any question in which he shall have a direct individual or pecuniary interest, and the President shall only vote in case of a tie.

6. The ayes and nays shall be taken and entered upon the minutes of the Association, if required by three delegates.

7. All business not provided for in these By-Laws shall be transacted according to the parliamentary rules that govern deliberative bodies. Not less than the representatives of five Companies shall constitute a quoroum.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Call to Order.
2. Presentation of Credentials.
3. Reading the Minutes of the Previous Meeting.
4. Collection of Dues.
5. Report of Officers and Committees.
6. Miscellaneous Business.
7. Volunteer Report of Fire Organizations.
8. Election of Officers.
9. Unfinished Business.
10. Installation of Officers.
11. Adjournment.

An Act Creating a Relief Fund for Disablec Firemen.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do Enact:

SECTION 1. That the sum of $2,500.00 be, and the sam is hereby appropriated annually, and shall constitute Firemen's Relief Fund, but in no case shall the said appro priation exceed one-half of the license tax levied and col lected by the State from Insurance Companies.

SEC. 2. That the Treasurer of the State shall pay th amount constituting the Firemen's Relief Fund to th Treasurer of the North Carolina State Firemen's Associa tion on the warrant of the Auditor of the State.

SEC. 3. That the money so paid in the hands of th Treasurer of the said North Carolina State Firemen's As sociation shall be known and remain as the Firemen's Re lief Fund of North Carolina, and shall be used as a Fun for the relief of Firemen, members of the Association, wh may be injured or rendered sick by disease contracted i the actual discharge of duty as Firemen, and for relief o widows' children, and if there be no widow or children then dependent mothers of such Firemen killed or dyin from disease so contracted in such discharge of duty, t be paid in such manner and in such sums to such individ uals of the classes herein named and described as may b provided for and determined upon in accordance with th Constitution and By-Laws of said Association. And suc provisions and determinations made pursuant to said Con stitution and By-Laws shall be final and conclusive as t the persons entitled to benefits, and as to the amount o benefit to be received, and no action at law shall be main tained against said Association to enforce any claim or re cover any benefit under this Act, or under the Constitu tion and By-Laws of said Association; but if any officer o

mmittee of said Association omit or refuse to perform y duty imposed upon him or them, nothing herein con- ined shall be contrued to prevent any proceedings against id officer or Committee to compel him or them to perform ch duty.

SEC. 4. The Treasurer of the North Carolina State Fire- en's Association shall give a bond to the State of North rolina, with good and sufficient sureties to the satisfac- n of the Treasurer of the State of North Carolina in double the sum received by him, said State Treasurer, for the thful performance of his duties under this act, and shall ke detailed report to tee State Treasurer of the yearly penditure of the appropriation under this act on or before e end of the fiscal year.

SEC. 5. The line of duty specified in Section 3 shall not so construed as to mean any other duty except actual fire ty, which shall consist of service in the fire department m the time of the fire alarm until the members are dis- ssed by the company officers at roll call; also any actual e duty connected with the fire department when direct to perform the same by the officer in charge.

SEC. 6. That any fireman of good moral character in rth Carolina, and blonging to an organized fire company, o will comply with the requisitions of the Constitution l By-Laws of the North Carolina State Firemen's Asso- ion, may become a member of said Association, and any anized fire company in North Carolina, holding itself dy for duty, may, upon compliance with the requisitions aid Constitution and By-Laws, become a member of said th Carolina State Firemen's Association.

EC. 7. That the provisions of this act shall apply to any men who is a member of a regularly organized fire com- y.

EC. 8. That this act shall be in force from and after its fication.

atified this the 6th day of March, A. D. 1891.

AMENDMENT.

An act of the last Legislature reads as follows (see pa 41, Proceedings of 1893):

An act to amend Section 2, Chapter 868, Laws 1891.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That Section 2, Chapter 868, Laws 1891, amended to read as follows:

SEC. 2. That the Treasurer of the State shall pay t amount constituting the Firemen's Relief Fund on the wa rant of the Auditor, three-fourths to the Treasurer of t North Carolina State Volunteer Firemen's Association, pro erly chartered by law. That the said Treasurer of t North Carolina State Volunteer Firemen's Association sh give bond, and the said Association shall disburse the fun the same manner and under the same rules as the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

SEC. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after i ratification.

Ratified March 6th, A. D. 1893.

AMENDMENT.

An Act to amend Section 2, Chapter 474 of the Laws 1893.

The General Assembly of North Carolinia do enact:

SECTION 1. That Section 2, Chapter 474 of Laws 199 be amended as follows:

That the words three-fourths in line three, of said Se tion be stricken out and the words one-fourth be insert in lieu thereof.

SEC. 2. That this Act be in force from and after i ratification.

Ratified this the 28th day of February, A. D. 1895.

MEMBERSHIP.

LIST OF COMPANIES MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR 1898-'99.

escue Hook and Ladder Co	Asheville	Department
ose Co. No. 1	"	"
harlotte Fire Co. No. 1	Charlotte	"
harlotte Reel Team	"	"
agle Hose Co. No. 4	Salem	"
ough and Ready Fire Co	"	"
agle Hose Co. No. 7	Greensboro	"
reensboro Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
outh Side Hose Co. No. 4	"	"
reensboro Hook and Lodder Co. No. 1	"	"
eam Fire Engine Co. No. 2	Winston	"
inston Fire Co. No. 1	"	"
inston Hook and Ladder Co	"	"
oward Relief Fire Engine Co	Wilmington	"
ilmington Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	"	"
eam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
oncord Hose and Reel Co	Concord	"
ewbern Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Newbern	"
lantic Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
fth Ward Reel Co	"	"
ilson Fire Co. No. 3	Wilson	"
rboro Hook end Ladder Co. No. 1	Tarboro	"
escue Steam Fire Engine Co	Raleigh	"
pital Hose Co	"	"
omble Hook and Ladder Co	"	"
rham Hose Co. No. 1	Durham	"
rham Hose Co. No. 2	"	"
icora Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Fayetteville	"
ldsboro Fire Co. No. 1	Goldsboro	"
lipse Steam Fire Engine Co	"	"
ctric Reel Co	"	"
swell Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Kinston	"
lisbury Fire Co. No. 1	Salisbury	"
lisbury Hook and Ladder Co	"	"
lson Hose Co. No. 1	Henderson	"
pemarle Fire Co	Elizabeth City	"

LIST OF CHIEFS AND ASSISTANT CHIEFS OF DEPAR
MENTS REPRESENTED IN THE ASSOCIATION.

Chief, Jas. P. Sawyer Assistant, —— ——	Asheville	Departme
Chief, W. B. Glenn Assistant, J. H. Mentz	Charlotte	"
Chief, F. C. Meinung Assistant, W. C. Grunnert	Salem	"
Chief, J. J. Stone Assistant, W. R. Pleasants	Greensboro	"
Chief, J. W. Hanes Assistant, H. L. Riggans	Winston	"
Chief, Chas. Schnibben Assistant, W. P. Munroe	Wilmington	"
Chief, J. L. Boger Assistant, R. Will Johnson	Concord	"
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Chief, J. A. Weddle Assistant, H. B. McNair	Tarboro	"
Chief, L. A. Mahler Assistant, W. Woolcott	Raleigh	"
Chief, W. C. Bradsher Assistant, Lee Simmons	Durham	"
Chief, J. D. McNeill Assistant, John Roddick	Fayetteville	"
Chief, W. C. Badger Assistant ——	Goldsboro	"
Chief, J. D. Taylor Assistant, —— ——	Kinston	"
Chief, C. H. Swink Assistant, M. V. B. Capps	Salisbury	"
Chief, O. T. Jones Assistant, —— ——	Henderson	"
Chief, A. K. Kramer Assistant, Chas. Spiers	Elizabeth City	"

COMPANY AND DEPARTMENT MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR 1898-'99.

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Walter Bronson,
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Clarence Crapon,
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Charles Stewart,
Wesley Everhart,
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Wm. E. Peterson,
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S. G. Rogers,
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GREENSBORO.

Greensboro, the capital of Guilford county, is situated in the Piedmont section of the State, midway between the mountains and the seacoast, neither too hot in summer nor too cold in winter—the most healthy climate and the most active, wideawake people to be found anywhere. On the line of the great Southern Railway system, from the North to the South and from Norfolk to Chattanooga, also the main line of the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley Railway, from the seacoast to the mountains. Through the last named we have connection with the Norfolk and Western and the Seaboard Air Line systems, giving it the best railroad facilities and making it the best distributing point anywhere in the South.

As an educational center there is none better. There are two large female institutions for white girls within the corporate limits, one supported by the State and the other by private corporation. Then the Graded Schools, two white and two colored, supported by the city, besides two institutions for the colored, one maintained by the State and United States governments, the other by the Freedmen's Bureau. The morals are good. The church influence over the people is wonderful for a city of its size.

Greensboro and Guilford county are noted for their fruit and flower culture, the city being rightly named the "City of Flowers." Near the city is situated one of the largest nurseries in the country, besides many small dealers and growers of fruit and ornamental trees.

The manufacturing interest is rapidly growing, the cotton and lumber especially. There are diversified industries, the city not being dependent upon any one industry. The tobacco industry is in the hands of live, active men and is becoming to be the equal of any market.

The population has quite doubled itself within the past five years. It is made up of the solid yeomanry, who are

realizing the advantages to be derived by living in a live active city, and who have moved in to reap the benefits from the schools, churches, etc. Her people are sociable generous and conservative, and the stranger always finds a pleasant welcome within her borders.

The hotel accommodations are first-class, four first-class hotels, besides numerous boarding houses to be found in different sections of the city, making it possible to entertain any number who may come within her borders.

Being only fifteen hours from New York, six hours from Richmond, eight hours from Norfolk, ten hours from Atlanta and Chattanooga, and being situated in the healthiest climate in the world, coupled with the best of hotel accommodations, makes Greensboro a desirable place for the weary and wornout seeking health and comfort.

Let every fireman in the State begin now to get ready to be with the firemen and citizens of Greensboro during the twelfth annual meeting of our Association. The latch string will be on the outside and you will have a good time. The firemen of Greensboro want to make this the largest turnout of firemen ever held in the State and the most successful meeting ever held by the Association. Any information desired concerning hotels, boarding houses or anything else will be cheerfully given, either by Mr. H. J. Elam, Secretary of General Committee, or myself.

Yours,

J. W. Griffith,

Secretary N. C. S. F. Association.

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PROCEEDINGS.

The Eleventh Annual Convention of the North Carolina ate Firemen's Association was convened in the Court House, Greensboro, on Tuesday, August 1st, 1899, at 10 o'clock m.

President McNeill :

t is my pleasure and my duty as President of the North Carolina ite Firemen's Association to call this Convention to order, and I uld ask the Convention to pay respectful attention while the Rev. E. Wagg, of the Methodist church, invokes the blessing of God on our assembly.

Rev. T. E. Wagg :

lmighty God, our Heavenly Father, with a deep sense of our de- dence upon Thee and our inability to do anything without Thee, approach now into Thy presence, and in Jesus' name invoke the ssing and help we need. We know that by reason of sin Thou nest man into destruction, but we thank Thee that through the suf- ngs and death of our Lord Jesus Christ, Thou sayest unto man, eturn unto me, ye children of men,". and we therefore approach a one of grace in His name as we enter upon the exercises of this r, to invoke a divine blessing and help. We are glad, O God, at all times and in all places, through the merit of Thy Son's od, we can approach the throne of grace with the full assurance our prayers will not be disregarded, but that they will find audi- e in heaven. And now, O Lord God, we ask Thy divine blessing n us this day. We pray Thee that that good providence that has wed us all along the journey of life may follow us to the end. We especially Thy blessings upon the Association that has assembled , and we beseech Thee especially, Heavenly Father, to grant unto Thy divine guidance in all their deliberations; and we pray that in e exercises of this occasion nothing may arise that will in the small- egree mar the peace, love and friendship and the brotherly feeling h seems to pervade in this entire assembly. We beseech Thee, enly Father, to grant unto these noble men the strength that is ssary to prepare them for the faithful discharge of the duty in the to come. We thank Thee for this Association and for the good

that it has accomplished. Theirs is a dangerous, perilous life. Th need divine protection every day and hour; and we pray Thee th that kind providence may preserve them from accidents and save the from an untimely grave. We admire the spirit which animates the to rescue life and property from the devouring flames, and we tha Thee, our Father, for the lives and the property that have been sav by them; and we beseech Thee, Heavenly Father, that in their bei factions, for now they are benefactors, they may share large measu of Thy grace; and we pray Thee that each one of these firemen m be brought to the enjoyment of fullness of love which is in Chi Jesus our Lord. We pray that Heaven's benedictions may rest up this Association. Grant, our Heavenly Father, that each one of the noble men, at the end of life's pilgrimage, may be partaker of that heritance that is far beyond the reach of fire, far above the flames, "that is incorruptible and fadeth not away." These blessings we a in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Music by Gate City Band.

President McNeill :

Gentlemen of the Convention:

I have the honor to introduce to you the Mayor of Greensboro, I Honor, Zebulon Vance Taylor. (Applause).

ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

Mayor Taylor :

Mr. President, Members of the North Carolina State Firemen's As ciation:

As the Mayor of this city, in welcoming you here to hold the Ann Convention of your State Association, I do so with mingled feelings pride, joy, and gratitude.

Greensboro for more reasons than one feels a special pride in North Carolina State Firemen's Association. She looks upon success which has crowned her efforts and the growth which you ha attained almost with the same feelings in which a mother regards offspring. For here it was eleven years ago that the State Pireme Association was organized, and the first State Tournament held, a now after an absence of eleven years, the child returns in the strength of a vigorous manhood, and your mother can throw w open her arms and welcome her child back home. (Applause.) mother's heart ever leaped with more ecstatic joy than the great he

Greensboro leaps at the sight of your faces. She has bedecked her-
lf in her most brilliant colors, and all the rich treasures of her indus-
ial progress have been arranged in their most beautiful order to
adden your eyes; her fair daughters are wearing their sweetest smiles
r you, and the silvery tones of their voices are singing but one
rain—the praises of the brave fire laddies.

And again Greensboro welcomes you with feelings of gratitude.
his city is proud of her position in the industrial and the manufactur-
g world. Our city since you last met here has had a growth almost
mmensurate with your own; from a country town of 3,000 we have
own to a city of 20,000, with industries of such magnitude that our
veling representatives touch every State in this broad Union. But
recognize full well the fact that were it not for the devotion of the
ave fire laddies of our city, their heroic self-sacrifice and their sleep-
s vigilence, a mound of ashes would mark the spot where now our
uctures of brick and granite rear their proud heads toward the sky
ove. (Applause.) And when we lie down to sleep at night, we do
with a feeling of perfect security, knowing that the members of the
rth Carolina State Firemen's Association are on guard, that our
perty, our lives, and the lives of those whom we love, are safe
ile in their hands.

And again Greensboro welcomes you for the reason that God has
constituted the human heart that nothing so causes it to thrill as the
intenance of a brave man. Even as children look to their parents
protection. So have we learned to look to our firemen.

Search the annals of history of all countries in all ages, and I chal-
ge you to produce a sublimer spectacle of heroic self-sacrifice than
lisplayed by the volunteer firemen.

Four hundred years ago, that Prince of English Chivalry, Philip
lney, when his dying lips were parched with a burning thirst, re-
ed a cup of cold water, that greatest boon that might have been
red him, for seeing in the eyes of a dying comrade a look of un-
akable anguish and longing, he handed the cup to him, saying,
riend, thy needs are yet greater than mine." History has never
d of that beautiful story, and it has been recited by the poet and
or from that day until this. During modern times there is not a
that passes by that some fire company does not give to the world
ilip Sydney, and more than a Sydney—one who not only sacri-
his last moments of comfort, but one who lays down his life itself
rder that others may live.

Welcome, then, brave boys, thrice welcome!!

Time and again you have saved this city. Therefore, I say, amat-

ter of right, it belongs to you. Take it for the next four days and u it. (Applause). Greensboro throws wide open to you her gates; o citizens the doors of their homes; and the avenues their broad e panse. May your stay among us be as pleasant as would have it b then the greenest spot in your memories will ever be the recollecti of these few days spent at home with your mother. (Applause).

President McNeill :

Mr. Mayor, Gentlemen of the Convention :

I have for several years responded to the addresses of welcome your convention, but on this occasion I have decided in view of t very respectful and generous preparations which you have made, have the responses made by the different departments, so that it c show the universal appreciation of the firemen of North Carolina f the hospitable manner in which Greensboro is treating us. I will fir call on the New Bern Department.

RESPONSES.

Mr. Brinson, of New Bern :

In behalf of the New Bern department, I return thanks for the v cordial welcome you have extended, and not only in behalf of t New Bern company, but in behalf of the citizens of New Bern, who pride, whose aspirations, and whose hopes this week are centered the New Bern company. I want to say, sir, that the people of Ne Bern may be of great concern ; however, she stands in unity in su port of her fire department, and I think I have the affirmation of the members present when I state that the inspiration which has w success for the firemen is due largely to the smiles and the encourag ment of the fair ladies of New Bern. Now I am not seeking to exci your pity and for that reason relax your effort, but I want to exci your fear. I want you to beware of the fair ladies of New Bern. T seashore is just beyond and the danger point is at New Bern, so if y cannot succeed, then the first place to stop off is New Bern, and the you will find the most beautiful and sweetest women the sun ev shown upon. The city of New Bern throughout its history has give unstinted support to the fire department. We recognize (and I spea as a layman to two professions) the need of an active and efficient d partment. Without stinting and without measure, we come to the su port of those who risk their lives, who imperil their bodies to susta and to preserve the property of our people. The hero who goes up the battle-field and the excitement of battle and warfare risks his li

no greater a hero than he who without hope of reward, without pe of advancement or promotion (which prompts the soldier often e and enriches his coffers)—the fireman without any of these inspi- ions, hopes or aspirations, risks his life for the preservation of those his friends and otherwise.

n conclusion, in behalf of the fire department of New Bern and in alf of the citizens of New Bern, I thank you for the very cordial re- tion you have tendered. I want to say that we expected it. Our asure is not heightened by reason of its unexpectedness, for the pitality of Greensboro is proverbial, it is universal. Its reputation broad, kindly feeling is State-wide, and I may say nation-wide. We eived what we expected, and we thank you and reciprocate most rtily the kind sentiment you have expressed. (Applause.)

Raleigh Department.

Mr. Parrish :

arise to respond for the Capital City of this State. We appreciate welcome that Greensboro has extended to the North Carolina e Firemen's Association. Some time ago in New York they had e, and there was a member kinder bragging upon the promptness of department, in responding to the fire. A citizen of Raleigh stand- near by heard it, and after the gentleman had finished his remarks, aid, "There is no department on the face of the earth that is equal e city of Raleigh fire department." And we claim that we have n equal. But we appreciate the welcome that has been extended , and we propose to take an active part in the Association, more an we have in the past. (Applause.)

resident :

y I ask the department of Wilson, which is so well represented ime, to express its appreciation?

aptain Hare :

cannot say any more, I can say that I know we are going to have ious time, and we thank the Mayor of Greensboro for throwing the doors of Greensboro.

esident :

e city of Wilmington is represented here, and has favors to ask of ssociation. We would like to hear its appreciation.

ief Schnibben :

city of Wilmington appreciates the welcome Greensboro has

given the Association, and hopes we may be able to reciprocate receiving the Association at Wilmington for next year.

President :

The Queen City of Charlotte is represented, and we would lik hear from her firemen.

Mr. Swinson :

Our Mayor, we hope, will arrive on the next tr in. In behalf of Charlotte fire department and the city of Charlotte, we accept welcome you have extended to us, as the prodigal son accepted welcome and returned home to his father. (Applause and laught

Fire Department of Henderson.

Chief Young :

In behalf of the Henderson company, I want to express our ap ciation of the kind invitation which has been extended to us, and h that at some future day we may be able to return the compliment.

Durham Department.

Captain Chamberlain :

We are glad to be back in Greensboro. We made the first run was ever run in the State Tournament, and it was at Greensbor years ago, and we are glad to be back. We hope to return the fa some day. (Applause.)

Department of Salem.

Chief Meinung :

Mr. President :

Eleven years ago I was in this place when the Association was ganized, and it affords me great pleasure to be here to-day.

Salisbury Department.

Chief Capps :

In behalf of the firemen of Salisbury, I tender you thanks for th and would say that we appreciate all that has been said by your H orable Mayor, and we hope that our stay here will be as pleasan you as we think it will be to us. There are very few of the firem now I believe that were here at that time.

Winston Department.

Captain Gayles :

n behalf of the Company of Winston, I extend appreciation of your ıdness and thank you for the kind invitation.

Goldsboro Department.

Chief Bain :

have here a card which reads, "Present my respects to the Con- tion." I will say that Goldsboro felt very much encouraged at our Tounament. I do not think anything has made more impression the inhabitants of the town than the Tournament did. They have n their undivided support to every member of our company. We nd our sincere thanks and appreciation.

President :

hat closes the opening ceremonies of the Convention, and I now lare the North Carolina State Firemen's Convention, and the elev- ı annual meeting, open and ready for business, or any business may properly come before it. I would state that our meetings not secret; they are open to everybody, the ladies especially, and a fireman of North Carolina, regret exceedingly to see that we not a full attendance of ladies here this morning. I am satisfied they been here some of the silver-tongued firemen would have more to say. The Convention is open to everybody, and we ld be glad to have their presence and participate in our delibera- s. I want to further say that I addressed a letter, some weeks to every Mayor in North Carolfna, asking them to come. I have ived a great many favorable replies. Unfortunately, I am not onally acquainted with them all and I would ask any Mayor that esent to come into our inner circle. He is one of us. We want riendship, we want him interested in our business; and if he is and will make himself known, I will be pleased to extend to him courtesy, officially, as well as the other members of the Associa-

ext in order is the appointment of a Committee on Cre- ials.

ne President appointed the following, viz.:

ın L. Hare, Wilson.
M. Young, Henderson.
C. Meinung, Salem.
J. Markham, Durham.
C. White, Raleigh.

Secretary Griffith requested the delegates to hand in th credentials.

Mr. Stone, of Greensboro, made the following announ ment :

I would like to state, in behalf of the Committee of Arrangeme that we have in the Grand Jury room below some refreshme cigars, etc., that are free to all firemen and visitors, and we would glad to have them drop in and partake of anything we have th whenever they feel so disposed.

President McNeill instructed the Secretary to read following telegram just received :

Portsmouth, Va., Aug. 1, 189

To Dr. J. W. Griffith, Secretary.

Absent but not forgotten. Virginia firemen send greeting to N Carolina, wishing them a pleasant and profitable meeting.

GEO. G. CUMMING,
Secretary Va. State Firemen's Associatio

President :

We appreciate the kind thoughts and wishes from our friend C mings. We regret he could not be with us.

Convention will now be at ease until the Committee Credentials can make up their report.

Report of the Committee on Credentials read by Secreta

LIST OF COMPANIES AND DELEGATES.

CONCORD HOSE AND REEL CO.—H. P. Deaton, J. L. Brown.

STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO., NO. 1, GREENSBORO—John Lewis, L. Andrews.

HOOK AND LADDER CO., NO. 1, GREENSBORO—J. J. Stone, O. Boycott.

SOUTH SIDE HOSE CO., NO. 4, GREENSBORO—G. W. Pritchett, D. Douglas.

EAGLE HOSE COMPANY, NO. 7, GREENSBORO—J. J. Nelson, C. Vanstory.

CHARLOTTE PAID DEPARTMENT, CHARLOTTE—R. D. Cogbill, F Eagle.

CHARLOTTE REEL TEAM—J. D. McCall, B. J. Swinson.

CAPITAL HOSE CO., RALEIGH—Alex. Kreth.

ESCUE HOOK AND LADDER CO., RALEIGH—A. J. Crawford, ers White.

OOK AND LADDER CO., NO. 1, RALEIGH—W. W. Parrish, R. G. church.

ESCUE HOOK AND LADDER CO., ASHEVILLE—Chas. H. Miller, J. ullam.

OSE CO., NO. 1, ASHEVILLE—T. P. Johnson.

RE CO., NO. 3, WILSON—Jno. L. Hare, A. B. Holland.

OUGH AND READY FIRE CO., SALEM—C. H. Hesler, D. H. Hud-

AGLE HOSE CO., NO. 4, SALEM—J. S. Harp, D. L. Farrington.

OOK AND LADDER CO., NO. 1, WILMINGTON—P. M. Fick.

EAM FIRE ENGINE CO., NO. 1, WILMINGTON—B. R. Russell, H. eterson.

OSE CO., NO. 3, WILMINGTON—E. M. Camp.

LANTIC STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO., NEW BERN—W. J. McSorley, Scales.

EAM FIRE ENGINE CO., NO. 1, NEW BERN—T. C. Daniels, J. J. ill.

ICORA STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO., FAYETTEVILLE—R. H. Mc- e, R. H. Dye.

EAM FIRE ENGINE CO., NO. 2, WINSTON—A. A. Dean, J. M. n.

EAM FIRE ENGINE CO., NO. 1, WINSTON—A. J. Gales, R. S. moreland.

ECTRIC HOSE REEL CO., GOLDSBORO—W. D. Creech, W. A. r.

LIPSE STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO., GOLDSBORO—J. R. Chamber- H. E. King.

E CO., NO. 1, GOLDSBORO—L. Weil, R. K. Fruman.

SE CO., NO. 1, DURHAM—L. L. Chamberlain, G. E. Lougee.

SE CO., NO. 2, DURHAM—C. J. Markham, W. F. Freeland.

LSON HOSE CO., HENDERSON—J. E. Finch, W. T. Whitten.

OK AND LADDER CO , NO. 1, TARBORO—D. F. Bridges, J. T. .

SE CO., NO. 1, SALISBURY—J. T. Morgan, P. H. Meroney.

OK AND LADDER CO., NO. 1, SALISBURY—C. H. Swink, J. W. r.

AM FIRE ENGINE CO., NO. 2, WILMINGTON—John T. Yates, Canady.

OK AND LADDER CO., NO. 1, WINSTON—J. W. Young, G. S. et.

West End Hose Co., No. 5, Greensboro—J. M. Carr, J. Prince.

Spencer Fire Co., No. 1, Spencer—W. J. Byerly.

President :

I would suggest that we leave the report open in case any of delegates should come in on the noon or afternoon trains and not h yet, that they may be added to it, and let us also get a report as gards Chiefs, Assistant Chiefs, Superintendents of Fire Alarm T graph, etc., who also have a vote and a full voice in this Conventi

Secretary called roll of Chiefs and Assistants and fou the following present :

Winston Departmet—Jno. W. Hanes, Chief; H. L. Riggins, Ass ant.

Henderson Department—W. M. Young, Chief.

Wilmington Department—Chas. Schnibben, Chief.

Salisbury Department—M. V. B. Capps, Chief; W. L. Miller, sistant.

Tarboro Department—J. T. Vines, Assistant.

Goldsboro Department—T. H. Bain, Chief; F. M. Miller, Assista

Durham Department—Howard Heartt, Chief; W. H. Lewellen, sistant.

Fayetteville Department—Jas. D. McNeill, Chief; C. D. Elli Assistant.

New Bern Department—A. E. Hibbard, Chief.

Salem Department—F. C. Meinung, Chief; W. C. Grunert, Assist

Asheville Department—Jas. P. Sawyer, Chief.

Raleigh Department—L. A. Mahler, Chief.

Charlotte Department—W. B. Glenn, Chief.

Greensboro Department—J. H. Phipps, Chief; O. D. Boycott, sistant.

Concord Department—A. M. Brown, Chief; H. G. Ritz, Assistan

Washington Department—J. G. Chauncey, Chief.

Spencer Department—W. J. Byerly, Chief.

Individual Members—J. W. Griffith, Greensboro; A. E. Ll Durham.

Superintendents Fire Alarms—J. T. Yates, Wilmington; W. Ward, Asheville.

Superintendent Water Works—C. H. Campbell, Charlotte.

/ice-President Stone called to the chair.

Ir. L. J. Taylor asked if proxies would be allowed.

:aptain Gales :

do not think this Convention ought to consider any proxy at all, use if they do not think enough of this Association and Conven- to attend, their proxies ought not to be allowed to come into this vention.

resident McNeill :

avor the Captain's notion. I think he will accept this, that we o receive the report as made to us by the Committee to be amen- as the members come in during the day.

uite a discussion ensued in regard to vote by proxy.

esident McNeill said :

u can vote, but you must be here; you cannot vote another's vote. would be contrary to parliamentary law; that has been my rule ofore. You can vote if you are an active member of your com- here, but you cannot vote some other vote.

r. Taylor contended on the ground that the Fifth Ward k and Ladder Co. (New Bern) had never failed to enlist this year.

esident McNeill :

s Association has passed a rule, and you will find it in your min- ere, that none but **beneficiary** members of the Association can de delegates to the Association. Therefore, if the Fifth Ward and Ladder Co. is actually a member of the Association, and mbers become delegates, or it would have voice in this Conven- t must have beneficiary members.

cretary Griffith read Article 2, Sec. 2, of By-Laws :

annual dues shall be paid on or before the first day of January year, in advance for the ensuing year. And all members who comply with this Section shall, by reason of such failure, cease members of the Association and cannot again become members by a new application, made in regular form, and paying the bed fee for membership.

President McNeill :

Mr. Taylor's trouble, I understand, is this : He is representin proxy. If you will turn to the rules, you will find that no comp can send a delegate here unless that delegate is a beneficiary men of the Association, and under that rule it strikes me that your p cannot be allowed unless the company had some beneficiary men here.

Secretary Griffith :

It has always been the rule that unless they send their new li beneficiaries before January 1st they were liable to lose their m bership.

President McNeill :

The Association membership is of companies, and the benefi comes through every company. They pay one $5. That makes t for all time a member of the Firemen's Association. But for it t representation here, it must have beneficiary members.

First Vice-President Stone :

Any further discussion ?

Mr. Daniels :

Are they entitled to their votes ?

Mr. Stone :

Provided they send a delegate who is a beneficiary member o Association.

Mr. Daniels :

And a delegate cannot send a proxy ?

Mr. Stone :

I think the President explained that matter, that each compa entitled to two delegates, and that unless these delegates are be ciary members of the Association, they cannot vote.

Secretary Griffith :

Any fireman could come here and leave his company at home vote; that means proxy. But if he comes here as a delegate fro company and he is the only delegate from his company here, he i titled to cast the two votes of his company. The Fifth Ward Co. a member last year. They had members enlisted, but only up t

st of January, there is a new enlistment every year; consequently, ey having not enlisted since 1st of January are not entitled to repre- ntation.

Mr. Daniels claimed that this was done at Goldsboro last ar.

President McNeill read Section 3, Article III., Goldsboro oceedings :

Every fire company in the State, which is a member of this Associ- on, shall, on or before the first day of August in each year, elect o delegates and also two alternates, to serve for the ensuing year, h the Chief Engineer and First Assistant of the various departments delegates at large, who are entitled to one vote each. They shall beneficiary members of this Association and shall show on our eficiary roll.

o it shows that if the Fifth Ward Hook and Ladder Co., had ted representation in this Convention, it should have had at least beneficiary members, and it should have elected them to represent n in this Convention. Now the question which is a simple one is, ey elected to vote in this Convention Mr. Taylor or Mr. Anybody- , the question comes up, whether that proxy should be allowed or Mr. Daniels says it was allowed at Goldsboro, and it would pos- y be allowed here if there was no kick, and if nobody protested. t Goldsboro it was allowed it was because it was not protested, if it was voted it was voted by the consent of the Convention. I k this is plain enough the way the thing stands.

Mr. Taylor asked :

hat if the dues for these two delegates were paid now?

Mr. Daniels :

y dues were not paid until the report on Credentials was handed st year at Goldsboro. I paid them to the Secretary.

President McNeill :

is by no means a criterion to judge the future action by? A prece- can be established that is a matter of wrong if not protested st. We might do something here in this Convention that was lutely contrary to the law and everything else, if nobody objected but we could not use that as a rule for the following year. It is

often the case that a delegate comes and pays his dues a long ti after due and it is accepted through courtesy and fraternal brotherho of this Association.

Mr. Daniels contended, and finally Mr. Taylor arose:

Since the matter has been discussed, I can readily see that t would be a bad rule established, and therefore, I will withdraw proxy of the 5th Ward, because it will undoubtedly be a bad rule. the President says.

President McNeill then commended Mr. Taylor for "pure, unadulterated, fraternal brotherhood," and express a fervent desire that that spirit might pervade in the ent Association in the future.

Question was before the house, seconded by Chief Ba that report of the Committee on Credentials be received read, leaving same open, for other delegates to report.

Carried.

Secretary Griffith moved that the Association adjourn meet again at 2:00.

Carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Association was called to order by the President 2:30 p. m., and he urged the members to attend the Conv tion meetings, and to be punctual.

The last business we dispensed with before adjournment the reception of the report of the Committee on Credenti They reported all delegates that were present at that time, of which are entitled to vote in this Convention. The thing I would say would be for us to perfect our organizat by having the Secretary call the roll now of the delegate reported by the Committee on Credentials.

Roll called by Secretary.

Roll of Chiefs, Assistant Chiefs, and Superintendents Fire Alarms was also called. President announced next or of business, is reading the minutes of previous meeting.

Mr. Stone moved that the proceedings of the Goldsboro Convention be adopted as printed, barring all typographical and other errors. Carried.

President :

That is the action of the Convention at its last meeting, copies of which have been sent out to all the departments, and if there are any errors now, it is to be hoped that during the last twelve months they have been found and we will be glad to have them corrected at this meeting. The adoption of these proceedings of the former meeting makes them Association Law; therefore, if there are any corrections to be made, this is the proper time to do it before they are adopted as the laws of the Association. They are before the house.

Secretary Griffith :

I want to say to the members that in making up this copy of the proceedings, I have found that there are some things that have been left out that should be in it and some little changes that might be made that would make them nearer right, but you all know that it is a pretty hard matter for any one to take charge of a business like the business of this Association. In changing the Secretary last year, I had to make up this from just what was turned over to me from the previous Acting Secretary. Consequently, there are some things perhaps that ought to be in here, but it is made up as perfect as could be made under the circumstances.

Mr. Stone :

There is one slight change in the Horse Hook and Ladder contest that we would like to have changed if the Convention wishes to do so. It is the idea of our Committee to have the race started by an electric starter on our track out here, and in order to do that it will be necessary for the apparatus drawn by horses to have a running start, so to speak, because the wheels cannot be started from the line, and I think the horse hook and ladder truck race is the most interesting that is required to start from a stand-still, and I would like to have this amended.

President had copies of the proceedings distributed and called attention to page 67—Hook and Ladder Contest—Horse Truck.

Now Mr. Stone will you explain what you want.

Mr. Stone :

We want horses to be hitched to truck and allowed 25ft. to start beyor starting line. Time is to be taken from the tap of the bell in judge stand which is rang by this electric current which is generated from dry battery placed anywhere on the line between judge's stand ar starting point, or where the contact is made by wheels pressing it t gether as they pass over it.

President McNeill :

How would that affect future races where they did not have electr starter ?

Mr. Stone :

We could overcome this just the way we are trying to do here. B I think that if this works successfully, that we will have it at eve other Tournament.

Captain Fullam .

I do not think that plan would work well for the simple reason th we find a number of towns where we would not be able to get the arrangements, and I think the rule that we have been acting und much better.

President :

You hear what Captain Fullam of the Asheville Hook and Ladd Truck Co. says. What the Association desires is to do that whi will conform to the best interest of the Association and to the mo successful issue of the entire business.

Mr. Stone :

I would like to say in reply to what Captain Fullam has said that is the easiest thing in the world to get this apparatus. It is nothing b two little wires with a battery at each end, and if the Associati should happen to meet at a town where they could not secure the things, if they will write me, I will send it to them without any expen to the town whatever. Now here is the difficulty about the way are running these races. If you are running a 50-yard race or a 10 yard race it is all right, but when you are 300-yards away there is least three seconds difference in the sound and the smoke, and o judge would take it from the sound and another from the smoke, ar there you would have wrangling all the time.

Captain Fullam :

Unless I were more familiar with this electrical scheme than I am now, I am very mnch opposed to it. I don't understand it, and as I said before I think that we would have a hitch when we struck places where there is no electricity. You know there are plenty of towns that are not supplied with electric current.

President McNeill :

Should this Association decide that they will use an electric starter for all future contests, I would advise the purchase of an electric starting machine by the Association, for when perfectly arranged it is almost perfect in its mechanism of working. We have had a good deal of trouble, as you know, from the pistol firing start, some judges taking it from the smoke, some from sight. You all know the trouble we have had, but we have used it in lieu of having nothing better. It is a question altogether for the Association to decide, and if you do decide upon it, I would advise the purchase of an electric starter by the Association.

Mr. Miller :

I would like to know if all the companies have been practicing by the old rules.

President :

Yes sir.

Mr. Miller :

I think it would be best for them to run by them this time. If they want to make any changes, make it for next time.

Chief Stone then explained the arrangement of this electrical starter, and that it did not change the plans of running the races at all, because the wheels could be placed right on the electric starter if preferable, or the running start could be taken beyond; that was entirely a matter to be decided by the Association.

Mr. Styron :

I saw the racing in Virginia and I saw the same apparatus there, and I've seen it used in bicycle races, in Baltimore once, and it worked O. K. there.

President McNeill then explained the way the machine wa used. Quite a discussion followed—some departments er dorsing the amendment, and others protesting against it o the ground that it would not prove as satisfactory as th present pistol firing signal for starting. In their argument they became so enthused, that they digressed somewhat fro the subject under discussion and the President again calle attention to page 67—Hook and Ladder Contest—Hors Truck, and requested one thing finished at a time.

After further argument, Mr. Stone arose :

I just want to make one other remark, and that is that I did n spring this matter for the purpose of getting up an idea that was n entirely agreeable to the Association. Our local committee he thought this would give general satisfaction to the Association. they express themselves as opposed to it, why we do not have to u it, for there is not a team in Greensboro, and I don't suppose a ma that ever saw one of them working; they don't know anything abo it. We don't want to force this thing on the Convention, and with th consent of the Chair, I would like to withdraw my suggestion to th rule and let it stand as it is.

Objection withdrawn with consent of President McNeill.

Mr. Swink :

I have a very serious objection to the report from our compan page 40. I would like that the name of Chief there be changed, a Assistant Chief, etc. And then the Hook and Ladder Co., No. eight men (colored). I would like for the name "colored" to b marked out. (Laughter).

President McNeill :

It will be marked out.

President :

We are out of order and I am partly to blame for it. You have g off now on the rules of the Association, which are binding for all. Th question is whether we shall approve the Proceedings of the Conve tion of Goldsboro. Are there further objections made to the Procee ings of the Goldsboro Convention.

Chief Stone moved that they be adopted, subject to any ypographical errors that might occur. Seconded. Carried. Next thing in order was "Collection of Dues."

Secretary Griffith :

I am glad to report to the Convention that dues in every particular ıve been paid up to date, every company—something that we have en rarely able to report—but this is the case now. (Applause).

REPORT OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

President read his report :

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

the Officers and Members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association:

GENTLEMEN AND FRIENDS :—Again it becomes my duty, as your ecutive Official, to render to you a report of all matters pertaining your honorable organization, that have occurred since our last meet- at Goldsboro, and to make any further recommendations that advance the interests of our Association.

During the past year I have audited, approved and ordered paid 58 ms against the Relief Fund, amounting to $2,446.45. The Treas- r's report will show you to whom and how much was paid to each mant.

very expense, on both the General and Relief Fund has been care- audited and approved by myself before payment has been made. he individual reports of Secretary Griffith and Treasurer Green show you our healthy financial condition, and I would respectfully r you to them for all details as to receipts and expenditures.

order that I might conscientiously discharge the duty devolving me as the auditing officer, it has been often necessary for me to many questions, and have many corrections made in the original ication, and I trust that those local officials upon which I was in a t degree dependent for such information, will realize the necessity endering me such assistance and that prompted me to such action. ıring the past year I have been compelled to turn down and dis- ove a few claims—simply because the plain facts in the case did

not justify the payment, if any applicant feels that he has not h absolute justice and equity shown him, I assure him again now, a have previously done, that this Convention has full power to corr any error that I may have made. I will also be glad to render ev assistance possible to properly present his case in a straightforw and truthful manner.

I would again recommend that appointment of a special commit at this session, to throw further safeguards around benefit applicatio

Since our last meeting we have had another session of our St Legislature, and I take pleasure in reporting that the Finance Co mittee of that honorable body, only needed to have the facts put bef them, to report favorably without dissent, upon our annual app priation.

In some of my previous reports, I have urged a revision of Tournament rules, and I again recommend that they be carefu revised at this meeting. While it is true that our last two Tourname have both been remarkably free from troubles and complications, s there are provisions in some of our rules that are unwise and unnec sary, and are liable to create discord among friends, and thereby d troy that feeling of friendship and regard so essential to perfect org ized unity and success.

Urged by a special desire to make this year, a notable one in history. I arranged a meeting in the spring between the Commissio of Railway at Richmond, Va., and a committee of citizens of Gree boro and myself, and I am gratified to report as the result of that c ference, that we have been granted the most satisfactory rates e before given, and to also report that the officials of the Southern, C. L. and the Seaboard have *all* generously extended to us. the co tesy of free transportation of apparatus to and from the Tourname

As we so freely condemned last year the officials of the South Railroad for what we still think was their unjust and unfair treatm of the several departments along the line of their road, therefore i eminently proper that we now express to them our full appreciatior the courtesies and privileges extended to us *this year*, and to fully ass them that we stand ready at all times as firemen to prove our gratit by our works, whenever occasion gives us the opportunity to def their property from our common enemy.

In order that I might add to the usefulness of our Conventio addressed a personal letter to every Mayor in the State, asking th to call the attention of their municipal authorities to the importance "fire protection" and extending them an invitation to attend this Annual Convention.

[have received a large number of replies of a most favorable char-
er and I hope that we will be able to so interest them in our Asso-
tion, that they will not only take on a renewed interest in their
al departments, but will also join an organization, that can only
lect credit upon them.

Ly friends, when in 1894, at Winston, you elected me President of
ır Association, I had the most serious doubts and misgivings as to
ability to satisfactorily perform the duties devolving upon the head
ın organization, representing so many interests from every section
our Commonwealth, and had I not had the unanimous and unquali-
support of the best set of men that the sun ever shone upon, I
ld not even have partially done so. When, however, we realize our
nomenal growth since then and take note of the intense interest
wn, not only by Greensboro and her generous and progressive
enship, but by the people from all our State, I can conscientiously
gest that we all congratulate each other upon our unqualified suc-
, and determine both as individuals and as companies to let noth-
deter us from still further success and advancement. I feel quite
in now claiming that we rank first in all our State civic or military
anizations.

conclusion, my Comrades, I have served you for 5 years as
sident of your Association. I can only trust that I have served you
atisfactorily as I have conscientiously. Let me congratulate you
n the attendance at this meeting and upon the prospect for an en-
aining and instructive Tournament.

Vith the highest hopes for the future success of our Association and
individual welfare of its membership, I am yours,

JAS. D. McNEILL.

ecretary read his report. On motion, it was referred to
Finance Committee.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

he Officers and Members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association :

ENTLEMEN :—The membership of our Association for this fiscal
is perhaps somewhat larger than in previous years. The dues of
ave been promptly paid. But still our income has not been so
n as common, but this can be accounted for by a failure to make
racts for advertising with some of the manufacturers and dealers
pplies, as heretofore.

Otherwise we have been treated very nicely by some of the ma facturers and dealers. I have received the following to be offere *Special Prizes*, viz.:

One handsome Aluminum Play Pipe, presented by the Fabric H Hose Co., of New York.

One handsome Lantern, by the Gleason & Bailey Mfg. Co., of N York.

One Chief's white Rubber Coat with corderoy collar, by S. F. H ward & Co., of New York.

These elegant prizes were sent at my solicitation and I have assu the donators their kindnessesses are appreciated, and to show the preciation due, I suggest resolutions be adopted expressing such, a copy sent to each of the above firms.

Death has again invaded our ranks. This time one of our for treasurers has been taken.

Died February 16th, 1899, Chas. G. Bradley, of Tarboro Hook Ladder Company. Death was caused by severe illness contracted being wet and overheated attending a fire a week or more before death. I leave saying further to the Committee on Resolutions.

I have at present 41 companies enrolled on beneficiary list wi private membership of 647, with 21 chiefs and 15 assistant chief superintendents fire alarm, 1 superintendent of water works, an individual members, making a total membership of 686.

Amount received from all sources.....$350 00

For which I hold Treasurer's receipt.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Warrants have been issued on General Fund, viz.:

Warrant No. 1,	Jas. D. McNeill, traveveling expenses last yr.	$ 52
" " 2,	" " " " Ass. Meet.	8
" " 3,	Telegraphing	10
" " 4,	J. W. Griffith, Sec., postage	5
" " 5,	A. E. Lloyd, Acting Sec., Ex. to Association	7
" " 6,	T. A. Green, Treas., postage	5
" " 7,	Jas. D. McNeill, Pres., postage	5
" " 8,	Miss Fodie Buie, stenographer at Goldsboro.	8
" " 9,	M. V. B. Capps, Statistician, Ex. to Goldsboro	10
" " 10.	Jos. J. Stone, printing	8
" " 11,	J. W. Griffith, Sec., postage.....	5
" " 12,	Postage on proceedings	10
" " 13,	Jos. J. Stone, printing proceedings	75

rant No. 14, J. W. Griffith, Sec., postage	$	5 00
" " 15, Jos. J. Stone, printing		6 25
" " 16, J. C. Michie, paym't on last yrs. salary as Sec.		50 00
" " 17, Jas. D. McNeill, Pres., on salary		75 00
" " 18, J. W. Griffith, Sec., on salary		50 00
" " 19, Jas. D. McNeill, Pres., postage		5 00
" " 20, J. W. Griffith, Sec., postage		5 00
" " 21, Jas. D. McNeill, Pres., Ex. to Richmond		21 60
" " 22, J. W. Griffith, Sec., postage		5 00
" " 23, J. C. Michie, bal. on salary for last year		50 00
" " 24, J. W. Griffith, Sec., balance on salary		50 00
" " 25, Jos. J. Stone, printing		14 55
" " 26, J. W. Griffith, Sec., Ex. chrgs. and postage		2 75
" " 27, Jos. J. Stone, printing		12 00
" " 28, L. J. Taylor, salary as Statistician		25 00
" " 29, Void		
" " 30, Jas. D. McNeill, Pres., balance on salary		75 00
otal	$	682 99

e following warrants have been issued on the *Relief Fund*, viz.:

, Chas. Corl, Greensboro, 29 days	$	58 00
, L. L. Chamberlain, Durham, 5 days		10 00
, O. D. Boycott, Greensboro, 17 days		34 00
, D. M. Styron, New Bern, 29 days		58 00
, C. H. Swink, Salisbury, 20 days		40 00
—6, W. O. Burton, Goldsboro, 14 days		28 00
—7, J. McD. Monogan, Fayetteville, 15 days		30 00
—8, Geo. L. Branch, Fayetteville, 7 days		14 00
—9, W. H. Huncannon, Wilmington, 10 days		20 00
—12, Geo. E. Lougee, Durham, 50 days		100 00
—13, R. S. Rowland, Durham, 20 days		40 00
Dr. S. B. Pearce, Durham, 20 days		40 00
Jno. West, Elizabeth City, 17 days		34 00
C. J. Markham, Durham, 9 days		18 00
W. P. Monroe, Wilmington, 50 days		100 00
B. J. Swinson, Charlotte, 30 days		60 00
Jas. D. McNeill, Fayetteville, 10 days		20 00
J. W. Mangum, Raleigh, 6 days		12 00
C. C. Jordan, Fayetteville, 50 days		100 00
Jno. N. Mohr, Jr., Wilmington, 14 days		28 00
Jas. Crabtree, New Bern, 10 days		20 00

No. 25,	B. J. Swinson, Charlotte, 30 days	$
" 26,	J. W. Alred, Winston, 13 days	
" 27,	J. E. Young, Fayetteville, 14 days	
" 29,	Jas. Branson, Durham, 29 days	
" 30,	W. P. Monroe, Wilmington, 20 days	
" 31,	Jno. L. Hare, Wilson, 4 days	
" 32,	H. L. Kidd, Wilmington, 8 days	
" 33,	B. J. Swinson, Charlotte, 30 days	
" 34,	C. L. Badger, Asheville, 28 days	
" 35,	T. M. Rector, Asheville, 14 days	
" 36,	W. A. Canady, Wilmington, 13 days	
" 37,	W. H. Huncannon, Wilmington, 15 days	
" 38,	General Fund—Printing account	
" 39,	Christian Wilson, 3 days	
" 40,	Mrs. C. G. Bradly, Tarboro, death benefit	2
" 41,	Mrs. C. G. Bradly, burial fund	
" 42,	W. L. Miller, Salisbury, 15 days	
" 43,	Louis Lichenstein, Salisbury, 6 days	
" 44,	R. C. Pool, Raleigh, 36 days	
" 45,	H. E. Royal, Raleigh, 8 days	
" 46,	J. E. Haar, Wilmington, 19 days	
" 47,	Dr. J. W. Petty, Winston, 20 days	
" 48,	T. A. Commander, Elizabeth City, 11 days	
" 49,	Peter Spiers, Elizabeth City, 7 days	
" 50,	Jno. W. Cates, Greensboro, 26 days	
" 51,	Jos. B. Congdon, New Bern, 20 days	
" 52,	H. S. Buchanan, Greensboro, 20 days	
" 53,	General Fund—Printing	
" 54,	T. A. Green, New Bern, salary	1
" 55,	A. M. Williams, Wilmington	
" 56,	W. M. Sugg, Winston	
" 57,	H. L. Reynolds, Greensboro	
" 58,	H. B. Donnell, Greensboro	
" 59,	W. C. Porter, Jr., Greensboro	
	Total	$2,4

Before closing the report I feel I would fall short of my duty if not take time and space to thank one and all from the private in vice to the highest officer for the many courtesies shown me d the past year and the promptness with which they have communi with me on all business connected with the Association. The

e year has been a hard one, and the expense of this office been iderably increased, necessitated by such an immense correspond- necessary to transact the business and the increased postage on proceedings.

lso wish to thank the Association for the honors conferred on me e past. It has been my greatest desire during the past year to be to leave the business of the Association in such shape that my essor will be able to go forward with the work with the least pos- trouble.

ould also be derelict to my duty as your Secretary if I did not call tention of the Association to the prompt and business like man- which our present President and Treasurer manage the affairs Association. I am sure no mistake has been made in their ion, and the Association is safe in their hands. Again thanking

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. GRIFFITH, *Secretary.*

easurer Green then read his report.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

GENERAL FUND.

GREEN, Treas., in account with the
NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

lance on hand, July 26th, 1898	$220 33
sh received from Dr. J. W. Griffith, Secretary, on account of dues	321 00
ish from members 10 per cent. deduction on Relief vouchers	212 20
sh received on account of printing from Relief Fund	118 45
	$871 98
paid out as per vouchers	682 99
Balance on hand	$188 99

Very respectfully,

T. A. GREEN, *Treasurer.*

RELIEF FUND.

T. A. GREEN, Treas., in account with the

NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIA

1898		
July 26,	To balance cash on hand	$2,256 00
Nov. 11,	To cash received of W. H. Worth, Esq., State Treasurer, for annual appropriation for fiscal year ending Nov. 30th, 1898.....	1,875 00
1899		
March 31,	To cash received of General Fund for return of Dr. S. B. Pierce's check issued through error, Secretary, giving two warrants, this one dated Sept. 27th, 1898, voucher No. 12..	36 00

1898					
Aug. 8,	By cash paid	L. A. Taylor,	Voucher	No.	46, $
" 8,	" "	Charles Corl,	"	"	1,
" 17,	" "	L. L. Chamberlain,	"	"	2,
" 17,	" "	O. D. Boycott,	"	"	3,
" 17,	" "	D. M. Styron,	"	"	4,
Sept. 15,	" "	C. H. Frick,	"	"	5,
" 15,	" "	W. O. Benton,	"	"	6,
" 15,	" "	J. McD. Monogan,	"	"	7,
" 15,	" "	Geo. L. Brancht,	"	"	8,
" 15,	" "	W. H. Huncannon,	"	"	9,
" 24,	" "	R. S. Boreland,	"	"	6,
" 24,	" "	S. B. Pierce,	"	"	7,
" 27.	" "	Geo. E. Lougee, Jr.,	"	"	10,
" 27,	" "	R. S. Bowland,	"	"	11,
" 27,	" "	Dr. S. B. Pierce,	"	"	12,
Oct. 19,	" "	John West,	"	"	13,
" 21,	" "	C. J. Markham,	"	"	14,
" 21,	" "	W. P. Monroe,	"	"	15,
Nov. 2,	" "	B. J. Swinson,	"	"	19,
" 11,	" "	Jas. D. McNeill,	"	"	20,
" 11,	" "	J. W. Mangum,	"	"	21,
" 17,	" "	C. C. Jordan,	"	"	22,
Dec. 3,	" "	John N. Mohr,	"	"	23,
" 3,	" "	Jas. Crabtree,	"	"	24,
" 5,	" "	B. J. Swinson,	"	"	25,
" 5,	" "	J. W. Alred,	"	"	26,
" 20,	" "	J. E. Young,	"	"	27,
" 24,	" "	Jas. Brandon,	"	"	29,
1899					
Jan. 9,	By cash paid	W. P. Monroe,	Voucher	No.	30,
" 9,	" "	John L. Hare,	"	"	31,
" 23,	" "	H. L. Kidd,	"	"	32,
" 23,	" "	B. J. Swinson,	"	"	33,

. 22,	By cash paid	C. L. Badger,	Voucher No.	34,	$ 56 00
28,	" "	T. M. Rector,	" "	35,	28 00
28,	" "	W. A. Canady,	" "	36,	26 00
h. 8,	" "	W. H Haucannon,	" "	37,	30 00
8,	" "	T. A. Green, printing,	" "	38,	92 20
11,	" "	Paul Christian,	" "	39,	6 00
31,	" "	Mrs. C. G. Bradley,	" "	40,	250 00
31,	" "	Mrs. C. G. Bradley,	" "	41,	50 00
il 25,	" "	W. L. Miller,	" "	42,	30 00
25,	" "	Louis Lichinstein,	" "	43,	12 00
29,	" "	R. C. Pool,	" "	44,	52 00
29,	" "	N. E. Royal,	" "	45,	16 00
16,	" "	J. E. Haar,	" "	46,	38 00
6,	" "	Dr. J. W. Petty,	" "	47,	40 00
6,	" "	T. A. Commander,	" "	48,	22 00
8,	" "	Peter Spiers,	" "	49,	14 00
29,	" "	J. W. Cates,	" "	50,	52 00
29,	" "	H. S. Buchanan,	" "	52,	40 00
31,	" "	T. A. Green, printing,	" "	53,	26 25
31,	" "	T. A. Green, salary,	" "	54,	150 00
31,	" "	Jos. B. Congdon,	" "	51,	40 00
31,	" "	A. M. Williams,	" "	55,	14 00
31,	" "	W. M. Sugg,	" "	56,	8 00
31,	" "	H. L. Reynolds,	" "	57,	20 00
31,	" "	H. B. Donnell,	" "	58,	20 00
31,	" "	W. C. Porter, Jr.,	" "	59,	60 00
31,	To balance on hand,				2,448 45
Total					$4,167 64

Respectfully submitted,

T. A. GREEN, *Treasurer.*

eensboro, N. C., Aug. 1, 1899.

e the Finance Committee have this day examined the books and hers of Mr. T. A. Green, the Treasurer of this fund, and find them ct. [Signed],

CHAS. SCHNIBBEN,
J. S. FULLAM,
Finance Committee.

NEW BERN, July 31st, 1899.

is is to certify that T. A. Green, Treasurer of the North Carolina Firemen's Association, has on deposit to his credit as Treasurer s bank, the following amount: To Relief Fund, $2,093.44; and to edit as Treasurer of the General Fund, $250.29.

H. M. GROVES,
Cashier Citizen's Bank of New Bern.

esident McNeill asked when the next appropriation from State Treasurer would be payable.

Treasurer :

The State Treasurer will have to close his books on the 30th da November. I never ask them for any money until November. hates right bad to pay it, but the law is so he cannot help it. year I think I got it on November 11th. Asked for it on the 1st on the 11th received check for the money; so in November I wil $1,875 to be added to the balance on hand.

It was moved that Treasurer's Report be referred Finance Committee. Seconded. Carried.

The Chair then appointed members to fill the vacanci the Finance Committee, as follows :

John L. Hare, Wilson.
W. M. Young, Henderson.
H. C. Meinung, Salem.
C. J. Markham, Durham.
W. C. White, Raleigh.

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT.

New Bern, N. C., 18

To the President, Officers, and Members of the Noreh Carolina Firemen's Association.

Gentlemen :—I beg to submit to you this my report as Statist of your Association.

I have made an effort to obtain statistics from every town in the with inhabitants of 500 and over. I have reports from twenty towns having organized fire departments. Four towns having ap tus but no organizations. Ten towns which have no apparatus ganizations. There are sixty eight organized companies, of there are fifty-one white companies and seventeen colored compa These companies have a membership of 1,061 whites and 455 col

There are eleven towns which have electrical fire alarm sys There are seventeen towns which have water works.

I submit to you a detail report of towns having fire alarms, works, and the membership in each department together with re from departments and mayors of towns.

As Statistician I wish to report that in some cases I have fo very difficult to get Chiefs and Mayors to pay any attention t blanks which I sent them to fill out. I have written as many as letters to some before getting an answer. Among those who I been unable to get an answer are: Statesville, Oxford, and Len

DETAIL REPORT.

TOWNS HAVING ORGANIZED FIRE COMPANIES:

NAME OF TOWN.	NUMBER COMPANIES		NUMBER FIREMEN.	
	White	Col'd.	White	Col'd.
nderson, N. C.	1	2	17	37
son	1	2	22	40
cord	1	1	17	26
eville	3	.....	45	.....
ston	1	.....	43	.....
etteville	3	.....	34	.....
eigh	3	1	63	27
m	2	.....	40	.....
mington	5	....	32	....
lsboro	3	.....	48	.....
abeth City	1	1	20	30
sbury	3	.....	24	.....
ensboro	5	1	97	20
rlotte	2	.....	24	.....
ston	3	1	60	20
Bern	3	3	154	80
ham	2	1	40	20
sville	1	.....	10	.....
roe	1	1	20	20
nville	1	2	32	60
oro	1	.....	37	.....
eld	1	.....	32	.....
nington	3	1	130	75
range	1	.....	20	.....
tal	51	17	1061	455

TOWNS HAVING WATER WORKS:

NAME OF TOWN.	PRESSURE	
	Fire.	Do
Henderson, N. C.	90	
Wilson	150	
Concord	75	
Asheville	94	
Fayetteville	90	
Raleigh	50 to 75	50
Salem	.....	
Wilmington	125	
Goldsboro	50	
Salisbury	70	
Greensboro	40	...
Charlotte	85	
Winston	125	...
New Bern	100	
Greenville	80 to 110	..
Tarboro	75	
Durham	65	

TOWNS HAVING FIRE ALARMS:

Asheville, Fayetteville, Raleigh, Salem, Wilmington, Golds Greensboro, Winston, New Bern, and Durham—Gamewell Syste Charlotte—Richmond System.

HENDERSON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, W. M. Young, elected by County Comissioners; term ex June 30th, 1900.

Three Companies, Volunteer.

Nelson Hose Company, Hose Reel, 17 men (white); Forema M. Young; Secretary, J. P. Hayden.

Enterprise Hose Company, Hose Reel, 20 men (colored); Fore Lewis Hughes; Secretary, N. N. Artis.

Red Wasp Hook and Ladder Company, 17 men (colored); man, W. H. Reaves; Secretary, Jas. Hart.

One reel and 500 feet of hose in reserve.

No. Hand Hose Reels . . . . . .
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks . . . . . .

" Feet Rubber Hose . . . . . .

Value of real estate used for fire purposes . . . . . .

Water works, gravity and direct pressure; owned by private pany.

Number pounds pressure required for fire service, 90; domest

SALEM DEPARTMENT.

Chief, F. C. Meinung, elected by the Company; term expires Decem- r 31st, 1899; Assistant, W. C. Grunert; Secretary, J. W. Schott.

Two Companies, Part Paid.

Rough and Ready, Button Steamer, 22 men (white); Foreman, F. Vogler; Secretary, J. W. Schott.

Eagle Hose Company, Hand Reel, 18 men (white); Foreman, James rley; Secretary, Rufus Shore.

Hand Hose Reels	1
Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	1
Horse Hose Wagons	1
Feet Rubber Hose	700
Feet Cotton Hose (rubber lined)	700
ue of real estate used for fire purposes	$2,500
ue of all other property, apparatus, etc	5,000
Total	$7,500

Water works, gravity pressure; owned by private company.

Number pounds pressure required for domestic service, 40 lbs.

Gamewell Electric Fire Alarm System.

Number of fire alarms from January 1st, 1898, to January 1, 1899, 2 Salem; 12 in Winston.

ne case sickness.

ays loss to business, 81.

here are 56 hydrants in use in this town at present. To get an quate idea of our system of fire protection the report from Winston uld be incorporated with ours; there is only a 60-foot street divid- the towns. Our water works systems can be and often are con- ed. We have the use of their companies and applicances, and *versa.* Many of the hydrants can be used for the benefit of either n.

WILMINGTON DEPARTMENT.

hief, Charles Schnibben, elected by Board of Aldermen; term ex- April, 1900; Assistant Chief and Secretary, W. P. Monroe.

ve Companies, Paid.

ook and Ladder Co., No. 1, Rumsey Truck, 7 men (white); Fore- W. P. Monroe; Secretary, J. Wannermaker.

Steamer Company, No. 1, Silsby Engine, 8 men (white); Forer B. R. Russell; Secretary, W. A. Canady.

Chemical Company. No. 1, Champion, 4 men (white); Foremar Frick; Secretary, H. L. Kidd.

Hose Company, No. 3, Rumsey Cart, 6 men (white); Foremar Freimuth; Secretary, T. M. Trent.

Engine Company, No. 2, Silsby Engine, 8 men (white); Forer M. F. Dowling; Secretary, J. T. Yates.

Apparatus not in use: Button engine, reserve reel, two hook ladder trucks.

No. Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	
" Horse Hose Wagons	
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Feet Rubber Hose	
" Feet Cotton Hose	5
Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$1
Value of all other property, etc	2
Total	$4
Amount of insurance on property destroyed	$22,0
Amount of loss over and above insurance	2

Water works, both direct and gravity; owned by private comp for fire service 125 pounds pressure; for domestic service, 40.

Gamewell Electric Fire Alarm System.

One hundred and fifty-three fires from January 1st, 1898, to Jan 1st, 1899.

Accidents, 5, but none serious; 60 days loss of time.

Danger in Calcium Carbide, which is used by bicycle dealers. pounds would destroy most any building in our city.

GOLDSBORO DEPARTMENT.

Chief, T. H. Bain, elected by Board of Aldermen; term expires 1900; Assistant and Secretary, F. M. Miller.

Three Companies, Volunteer.

Eclipse, No. 1, Steamer and Hose Wagon, 14 men (white); man, F. W. Hilker; Secretary, H. Nash.

Goldsboro Horse Hose Wagon, No. 1, 17 men (white); Fore W. O. Gattis; Secretary, H. L. McCall.

:lectric Reel Company, Hand Reel, 17 men (white); Foreman, H. Brown; Secretary, W. D. Creech.

.pparatus not in use: One chemical engine, two reels.

Hand Hose Reels	1
Horse Hose Wagons	2
Feet Cotton Hose	3,000
ıe of real estate used for fire purposes	$6,000
ıe of all other property, etc	13,000
Total	$19,000

ɔss per year $500.00, all covered by insurance.

ater works, both direct and gravity pressure; owned by private pany.

fty pounds pressure required for fire service; for domestic service, pounds.

ımewell Electric Fire Alarm System.

n fire alarms from January 1st, 1898, to January 1st, 1899.

WILSON DEPARTMENT.

ıef, Doane Herring, elected by Aldermen; term expires June, 1900; tant, O. P. Branch; Secretary, David Woodard.

ee Companies, Volunteer.

son Fire Company, No. 3, Horse Hose Wagon, 22 men (white); nan, J. L. Hare; Secretary, David Woodard.

l Hot Fire Company, Hand Hose Reel, 21 men (colored); Fore- Tom Day; Secretary, Joe Davis.

ɜe Company, No. 1, Hand Hose Reel, 19 men (colored); Fore- Ed. Pool.

ɔaratus not in use: One Silsby Fire Engine, one Hand Hose ɔne Hook and Ladder Truck.

and Hose Reels	3
orse Hose Wagons	1
orse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
eet Cotton Hose	2,000

ıity and direct water pressure. Number pounds pressure for vice, 150; domestic 48.

ɜr supply owned by city.

ELIZABETH CITY DEPARTMENT.

Chief, A. K. Kramer, appointed by Aldermen; term expires ev two years; Assistant, W. C. Sawyer; Secretary, L. M. Mann.

Two Companies, Volunteer.

Albemarle Fire Company, Silsby Engine, 20 men (white); Forem A. K. Kramer; Secretary, L. M. Mann.

Excelsior Hook and Ladder Company, Hand Hook and Lad Truck, 30 men (colored); Foreman, E. Overton; Secretary, A. St

Apparatus not in use: 1 hand reel; 1 hand pump.

No. Hand Hose Reels	
" 2-Horse Carriages	
" 1-Horse Hose Reels	
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Feet Rubber Hose	
" Feet Cotton Hose	
Value of real estate used for fire purposes, about	$ 5
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc., about	
Total	$ 8

No electric fire alarm system. Use court house bell.

Number of fire alarms from January 1, 1898, to January 1, 1999, but only 4 fires.

As to accidents to men—several of our men were hurt slightly, I do not remember, and I do not know the number of days they but do not think they all amounted to more than 40 or 50 days.

ASHEVILLE DEPARTMENT.

Chief, Jas. P. Sawyer, elected by City Council; term expires 1900; Secretary, L. W. Jeanneret.

Three Companies, Volunteer.

Hose Company, No. 1, 2 Hose Carriages, 22 men (white); F man, H. C. Fagg; Secretary, L. W. Jeanneret.

Rescue Hook and Ladder Company. No. 1, 1 2-horse Truck men (white); Foreman, J. S. Fullam; Secretary, W. A. Ward.

Hose Company, No. 2, 1 Hand Reel, 5 men (white); Foreman F. Poor; Secretary, G. F. Poor.

Apparatus not in use: Two hand reels and 3,000 feet of hose.

. Hand Hose Reels	5
2-Horse Hose Carriages	1
2-Horse Reels	1
Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
Feet Rubber Hose	4,200
Feet Cotton Hose	2,300
ue of real estate used for fire purposes	30,000
ue of all other property, apparatus, etc	3,500
otal	$33,500
ount of insurance on property destroyed	5,800
ount of loss over and above insurance	450

/ater works, gravity pressure; owned by city. Number pounds sure for fire service, 94.5; domestic, 56.

amewell Electric Fire Alarm System.

umber of fire alarms from January 1, 1898, to January 1, 1899, 26.

uring the fall of 1898, the quarters for men at the apparatus build- have been enlarged and made comfortable and now eight firemen o at headquarters and are thus prepared to start at the first sound e alarm at night.

CONCORD DEPARTMENT.

ief, A. M. Brown, elected by ballot; term expires January, 1900; stant, H. G. Ritz; Secretary, R. H. White.

vo Companies, Volunteer.

ncord Hose and Reel Company, 17 men (white); Foreman, R. L. hall; Secretary, R. H. White.

ncord Hook and Ladder Company, 26 men (colored); Foreman, Miller; Secretary, John Farrier.

Hand Hose Reels	1
Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	1
Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
Feet Rubber Hose	400
Feet Cotton Hose	1,000
e of real estate used for fire purposes	$2,000
e of all other property, apparatus, etc	1,100

ter works, gravity pressure; owned by private company.

mber pounds pressure for fire service, 75; domestic, 25.

mber of fire alarms from January 1, 1898, to January 1, 1899, 9.

KINSTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. D. Taylor, elected by Company; term expires January, 19
Assistant, J. A. Harvey; Secretary, J. T. Medyette.

One Company, Volunteer.

Kinston Steam Fire Engine Company, No. 1, Silsby Engine, 43 r
(white); Foreman, Geo. B. Webb; Secretary, J. T. Medyette.

No. Hand Hose Wagons . . . . . .

" Feet Cotton Hose 2,

Water supply, wells and reservoir.

Number of fire alarms from January 1, 1898, to January 1, 1899, 5

FAYETTEVILLE DEPARTMENT.

Chief, Jas. D. McNeill, elected by City Council; term expires M
1900; Assistant, C. D. Elliott; Secretary, Jas. S. McNeill.

Three Companies, Volunteer and Paid.

Chicoro Steam Fire Engine Company, No. 1, 1 Silsby Steame
Horse Hose Wagon, 10 men (white); Foreman, J. D. McNeill; S
retary, J. S. McNeill.

Hose Company, No. 1, Hose Reel, 12 men (white); Foreman,
T. Watson.

Hose Company, No. 2, Hose Reel, 12 men (white); Foreman, R.
McDuffie.

Apparatus not in use: Bucket truck and hand engine.

No. Hand Hose Reels . . . . . .

" Horse Hose Wagons . . . . . .

" Feet Cotton Hose 2,

Value of real estate used for fire purposes . . . . . $ 2,
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc 4,

Total . . . . . $ 7,

Water works, direct and gravity pressure; owned by private co
pany.

Number of pounds pressure for fire service, 90; domestic, 90.

Number of fire alarms from January 1, 1898, to January 1, 1899, 2

Firemen injured to the amount of $122; days loss to business, 61.

RALEIGH DEPARMMENT.

ief, L. A. Mahler, elected by Board of Aldermen; term expires 4, 1900; Assistant, W. Woollcott; Secretary, L. A. Mahler.

ur Companies, Paid and Volunteer.

scue Company, No. 1, 2-Horse Hose Wagon, 22 men (white); man, R. E. Lumsden; Secretary, W. A. Faucett.

pital Company, No. 3, 2-Horse Hose Wagon, 25 men (white); man, J. R. Ferrall; Secretary, Alex. Kreth.

ook and Ladder Company, No. 1, 2-Horse Hook and Ladder k, 16 men (white); Foreman, W. W. Parrish; Secretary, E. A. rson

ctor Company, No. 2, 2-Horse Hose Wagon, 27 men (colored); man, John Hardie; Secretary, S. J. Hawkins, Jr.

paratus not in use: One steamer, held in reserve.

Horse Hose Wagons	3
Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
Feet Cotton Hose	4,000
e of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 8,400
e of all other property, apparatus, etc	21,850
tal	$30,250
unt of insurance paid on property destroyed	1,197
unt of loss over and above insurance	47

ater works, direct and tower; owned by private company.

mber pounds pressure for fire purposes, 50 to 75.

mewell Electric Fire Alarm System.

mber of fire alarms from March 1, 1898, to March 1, 1899, 36.

REIDSVILLE DEPARTMENT.

ef, J. Frank Stultz, elected by Board of Aldermen; term expires ıary 6th, 1900; Assistant, G. W. Burton; Secretary, W. H. Baker.

e Company, Paid.

dsville Fire Department, Silsby engine, 10 men (white); Fore- J. Frank Stultz; Secretary, W. H. Baker.

Hand Hose Reels	2
eet Cotton Hose	1,600
of property	$2,000

er supply, one cistern.

WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. G. Chauncy, elected by Board of Commissioners; term pires May 1, 1900.

Four Companies, Volunteer.

Ocean, Steam Fire Engine, 50 men (white); Foreman, J. F. Thom Secretary, G. Rumley.

Salamander, Hand Fire Engine, 75 men (colored); Foreman, Ch Blackledge; Secretary, A. Brown.

Volunteer, Hand Fire Engine, 35 men (white); Foreman, F. Hoyt; Secretary, R. Handy.

Phoenix Hook and Ladder, 45 men (white); Foreman, W. H. Devett; Secretary, T. F. Brown.

No. Hand Hose Reels	
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Feet Rubber Hose	2,
" Feet Cotton Hose	
Value of property, apparatus, etc	$10,

Water supply, five cisterns; owned by city.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 130.

TARBORO DEPARTMENT.

Chief, John A. Weddell, elected annually; term expires June 1900; Assistant, J. T. Vines.

One Company, Volunteer.

Tarboro Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1, Hook and Ladder Tru 2 Hand Reels, 37 men (white); Foreman, Louis Arnhein.

No. Hand Hose Reels	
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Feet Rubber Hose	1,
Value real estate used for fire purposes	$ 3,
Value all other property	1,
Total	$ 4,
Amount insurance on property destroyed	$

Water supply: Hendricks Creek.

Water works, both direct and gravity pressure; direct pressure fire; owned by city.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 75; for domestic service,

Six fire alarms from January 1, 1898, to January 1, 1899.

MONROE DEPARTMENT.

ief, Dr. S. J. Welsh, elected by City Aldermen; term expires ; Assistant, Dr. W. B. Houston; Secretary, B. Williams.

vo Companies, Volunteer.

onroe Steam Fire Co., Silsby engine (white); Foreman, Dr. W. Iouston; Secretary, B. Williams.

ook and Ladder Co. (colored).

Hand Hose Reels	3
Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
Feet Rubber Hose	1,500

ater works, in course of construction; owned by city.

ne fire alarm from January 1, 1898, to January 1, 1899.

GREENSBORO DEPARTMENT.

ief, J. Henry Phipps, appointed by Mayor; term expires May 1st, ; Assistant, O. D. Boycott; Secretary, E. L. Clarke.

x Companies, Volunteer.

agle Hose Company, No. 7, 1-Horse Wagon, 25 men (white); Cap- F. N. Taylor; Secretary, Harry Poezolt.

reensboro Steam Fire Engine Company, No. 1, 2-Horse Wagon La France Engine, 14 men (white); Foreman, W. W. Bain; Sec- y, Harry Lewis.

ook and Ladder Company, No. 1, Babcock Truck, 18 men (white); eman, Jos. J. Stone; Secretary, Lee Wharton.

outhside Hose Company, 1-Horse Wagon, 20 men (white); Fore- , Geo. W. Pritchett; Secretary, W. L. Guthrie.

est End Hose Company, Hand Reel, 20 men (white); Captain, V. Malcom; Secretary, J. E. Gray.

xcelsior Hose Company, Hand Reel, 20 men (colored); Foreman, Patterson; Secretary, J. W. Jones.

pparatus not in use: One chemical engine, three hand reels.

Hand Hose Reels	3
Horse Hose Wagons	3
Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
Feet Rubber Hose	500
Feet Cotton Hose	3,500

Value real estate used for fire purposes . . . . . $ 5,
Value other property, etc 30,

Total $35,

Amount insurance on property destroyed . . . . . $ 3,
Amount loss over and above insurance . . . . . .

Water works, standpipe, 40 pounds pressure; owned by priv company.

Fifty pounds pressure required for fire service.

Gamewell Electric Fire Alarm System.

Twenty fire alarms from January 1st, 1898, to January 1st, 1899.

No accident to firemen.

No loss of time to business.

CHARLOTTE DEPARTMENT.

Chief, W. B. Glenn, elected by City Council; term expires May, 19 Assistant, J. H. Wentz; Secretary, J. P. Beatty.

Two companies, Volunteer and Paid.

Charlotte Fire Dept., No. 1, two steamers, hose wagon, truck, men (white); Foreman, E. F. Creswell; Secretary, J. P. Beatty.

No. Hand Hose Reels . . . . . .
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts . . . . . .
" Horse Hose Wagons . . . . . .
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks . . . . . .
" Feet Cotton Hose 4,

Value real estate used for fire purposes . . . . . $ 5,
Value all other property 6,

Total $12,

Amount insurance on property destroyed . . . . . $ 6,
Amount loss over and above insurance 3,

Water works, direct pressure; owned by city.

Pounds pressure for fire service, 85; for domestic service, 45.

Richmond Electric Fire Alarm System.

Forty-three fire alarms from January 1, 1898, to January 1, 1899.

Loss of ninety days from work.

NEW BERN DEPARTMENT.

ıief, A. E. Hibbard, elected by Board of Officers of Fire Depart-
t; term expires January, 1900; Assistant, Geo. P. Janer; Secretary,
l Aulphine.

x companies, Volunteer.

ew Bern, No. 1, Engine and Hose Wagon, 64 men (white); Fore-
, L. A. Taylor; Secretary, J. B. Congdon.

lantic, No. 1, Engine and Hose Wagon, 65 men (white); Fore-
, Fred Richardson; Secretary, J. C. Scales.

fth Ward Reel Co., Hand Reel, 15 men (white); Foreman, C. J.
arthy; Secretary, V. Hassell.

ough and Ready Hook and Ladder Co., Hook and Ladder Truck,
ıen (colored); Secretary, Horace Bryan.

ourth Ward Reel Co., Hand Reel, 20 men (colored); Foreman,
Richardson.

xth Ward Reel Co., Hand Reel, 25 men (colored); Foreman,
c Webb; Secretary, Bill Pool.

Hand Hose Reels	1
Horse Hose Wagons	2
Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
Feet Cotton Hose	3,500
e real estate used for fire purposes	$ 5,000
e all other property	10,000
Total	$15,000

ater works, direct pressure; owned by private company.

ımber pounds pressure for fire service, 100; for domestic service,
ounds.

ımewell Electric Fire Alarm System.

ıirty fire alarms from January 1, 1898, to January 1, 1899.

LA GRANGE DEPARTMENT.

ıe Company, Volunteer.

lief Fire Company, No. 1, Hand Pump, 20 men (white); Fore-
C. P. Bunn; Secretary, —— Hudger.

Feet Cotton Hose	300
e real estate used for fire purposes	$ 150
e all other property	570
Total	$ 720

ıter supply, five cisterns.

SALISBURY DEPARTMENT.

Chief, M. V. B. Capps, appointed by Aldermen; term expires 1, 1900; Assistant, C. H. Swink; Secretary, Bismarck Capps.

Two Companies, Volunteer.

Hose Reel Co., No. 1, Hand Reel, 8 men (white); Foreman F Julian.

Hose Reel Co., No. 1, Hand Reel, 8 men (white); Foreman, W Howard.

Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1, Hand Hook and Ladder Tru men (white); Foreman, W. L. Miller.

Neptune Hose Co., Hand Reel, 12 men; Foreman, Frank Tayl

No. Hand Hose Reels . . . . . .

" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks . . . . . .

" Feet Rubber Hose . . . . . .

" Feet Cotton Hose . . . . . .

Value of real estate used for fire purposes . . . . . .

Value of all other property, apparatus, etc . . . . . .

Total . . . . . $

Amount of insurance on property destroyed $1

Amount of loss over and above insurance . . . . . .

Water works, direct pressure; owned by private company.

Number of pounds pressure required for fire service 70; domesti

Number of fire alarms from January 1, 1898, to January 1, 1899

The Salisbury Fire Department is in good shape and enjoy period of unusual harmony. We have purchased, in addition t above, 500 feet of cotton hose, which we expect in a few days.

WINSTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. W. Hanes, elected by Board of Aldermen; term ex annually; Assistant, H. L. Riggins; Secretary, James Dunn.

Four companies, Volunteer and Paid.

Winston Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 1, 20 men (white); Fore A. J. Gayles; Secretary, R. S. Westmoreland.

Winston Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 2, 20 men (white); Fore J. B. McCreary; Secretary, J. A. Holmes.

Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1, 20 men (white); Foreman, R. C. lor; Secretary, J. W. Young.

ook and Ladder Co., No. 2, 20 men; Foreman, Tom Hairston; etary, Sam. Hargraves.

Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	2
Horse Hose Wagons	2
Horse Hook and Ladder Trncks	2
Feet Rubber Hose	1,500
Feet Cotton Hose	500
ie real estate used for fire purposes	$15,000
ie all other property	15,000
Total	$30,000

'ater works, both direct and gravity pressures; owned by City.
umber pounds pressure for fire service, 125.
amewell Electric Fire Alarm System.

GREENVILLE DEPARTMENT.

nief, A. J. Griffin, elected by Councilmen; term expires yearly.
hree Companies, Volunteer.
ope Steamer, La France, 32 men (white); Foreman, W. F. Hard- Secretary, A. B. Ellington.
ough and Ready, Truck, 35 men (colored); Foreman, Dennis nes; Secretary, —— Marable.
ead Hawk, Hand engine made by Howe Pump and Engine Co., 25 (colored); Foreman, Willis Clark; Secretary, A. Pender.

Hand Hose Reels	1
Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
Feet Rubber Hose	2,200
ie real estate used for fire purposes	4,200

'ater supply, three cisterns.
umber pounds pressure for fire service, 80 to 110.

ENFIELD DEPARTMENT.

ief, S. Meyer, elected by vote of Company; term expires Feb- y 1, 1900; Assistant, W. Burges; Secretary, S. Pearson.
ie Company, Volunteer.
nfield Fire Company, Hand Engine, 32 men, (white).

No. Hand Hose Reels . . . . . .
" Hand Carriages . . . . . .
" Feet Rubber Hose . . . . . .
Value real estate used for fire purposes . . . . . $ 8
Value all other property 55
Total . . . . . $ 63

Water supply, wells.

We had fifteen fire alarms since organized, and damage on all will not exceed forty ($40) dollars in this town.

Hickory—No organization; hand engine, hand hook and la truck, 250 feet rubber hose; water supply, one cistern; fire al from January 1, 1898, to January 1, 1899, 3; amount of insuranc property destroyed $2,150; amount of loss over and above insura $1,450. We have been very fortunate as to fires, and the few we had have been excellently handled and controlled by volunteer ser which is always abundant.

Plymouth—One hand engine; 300 feet rubber hose; water su river; value of property, $800.

Mt. Airy—We have no organized department.

Milton—We have no fire company here, though we have a engine, but not in use. We had an engine company here years but the organization does not exist now.

Morganton—I am sorry to have to report that this town ha fire department.

Lexington—We have no organization, no water works, in fa protection against fire. I am sorry it is so.

Scotland Neck—We have no regular fire company. We ha truck with ladders and buckets, worked in case of necessity by unteers.

Morehead City—We have no regularly organized Company, a hand engine or pump. Use only 500 feet hose. All the wo voluntary.

Beaufort—We have a hand engine, but no organization. We had one but it is defunct.

High Point—We have no water works nor fire department a place. We hope to be in the ring before many years.

NTON—No fire company here. In times of emergency we form
et Brigade" and fight fire.

KINGHAM—Have no fire department. Hold an election, June
o build system.

TONIA—No fire department; no fire protection; no water works;
g of the kind here as yet.

DON—We regret to say we have no fire department. We have
xtremely fortunate in escaping any serious fire up to now; how
ır good luck will last we cannot say, but fear it wiil not continue.

BERTON—Mayor, E. K. Proctor, Jr., elected by Board of Alder-
erm expires June, 1900; have two hand reels and 1,000 feet of
hose; have water works, direct and gravity pressure; pressure
d for fire service 90 pouuds, for domestic 50 pounds.

Respectfully submitted,

L. J. TAYLOR, *Statistician.*

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ved and seconded that the report of the Statistician be
ed and placed on file. Carried.

t thing in order was reports of different committees.
present but Finance Committee, and it was not ready
ort.

ident McNeill:

r report I suggested that you have a committee appointed to
our tournament rules, and that you also have a committee ap-
to throw further safeguards around your applications for bene-
e have revised them at almost every meeting and are trying to
perfect. But my experience is that they need more changes
ere should be more safeguards thrown around them.

Daniels:

e that a committee be appointed by the President to revise
governing races, and a committee also be appointed for the
of devising such safeguards as may be necessary.

d and seconded that the President appoint a com-
five to revise the Tournament Rules. Carried.

Committee appointed was: Vice-President Stone, Daniels, Mr. Chamberlain, Chief Schnibben, and Capt.

Mr. Stone then suggested that Mr. Daniels be made man of the Committee, as, in his opinion, he was the man for that position. Carried.

Mr. Daniels then asked for a minute to make an ap ment with the committee. Granted.

President asked if there were any other members who have suggestions for the appointment of committees fo thing that would be for the interest of the Association.

There being none, we proceed to

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

Secretary Griffith:

Before we get far into the miscellaneous business of the Asso allow me to say that we have with us to-day a gentleman, a who is a resident of this State at this time, who is an educated fi He has served his State in the capacity of a fireman—not onl active fireman, but from every standpoint. He has occupied chair in connection with the fire service of the Fire Associatio State of Florida, and we have this gentleman as a resident of Carolina—a man that we are proud to bring before this Conven have known him for years. I know him to be working for t interests of the fire service now. I have reference to Mr. Campbell, Superintendent of Water Works of Charlotte.

President:

We are glad to have Mr. Campbell with us, and ask that h forward.

Mr. Campbell:

Mr. President, Gentlemen of the North Carolina State Firem sociation:

I appreciate the kind sentiments expressed by your honorabl retary, Dr. Griffith, whom it has been my pleasure and honor t for the last five years. I do not care to take up your time u sarily, because I know you have important business before th vention, other than to say that I appreciate the kindness, as expressed. I also feel honored now that I am a citizen of Nort

It is my good fortune to be landed in the City of Charlotte, h is one of the most progressive cities in this State.

ow, gentlemen, taking Dr. Griffith as a standard of firemen of h Carolina, I have sized you all up the same way. I would say to that I met Dr. Griffith in Canada in 1894, when myself as delegate the State of Florida represented the State Firemen's Association e, and Dr. Griffith representing the State Firemen's Association of h Carolina; and I want to say this, that I feel it an honor to be on floor to-day as your guest, and I hope that we will become warmer closer friends, and at some future time I may see you all in the of Charlotte.

Ir. McNeill:

e are very anxious to get all the Mayors of North Carolina in our ociation. Really, they are honorary members of the Association, again request any Mayor present to come forward. I see Mayor all, of Charlotte, we would be glad to hear from him.

Iayor McCall, of Charlotte:

understand that I have been elected a full-fledged member of this ociation. I was elected in my absence, but I feel very grateful for I did not know that I was going to be elected a delegate to this ociation until a few weeks ago, but I will say that I really believe e "doctrine of election." In my politics I am a Presbyterian. I e never been a real candidate for but one office—that was matrim- and the last returns at my house will show that I have been ted by a majority. (Laughter).

know but little about fire. I come from a hot town though. But an squirt water. We have good water works and a good water s supervisor (as you have heard him speak to you). I say I did know that I was to be a member of this Convention. I have had ittle experience and in fact, Mr. President, I had no idea that you such an organization in the State of North Carolina. I have been ying myself to other departments of life for the last ten or fifteen s. I also learned that you have a beneficiary department in this ciation. I am glad to be with you and sorry that I cannot stay you longer. I will have to return to Charlotte to-night, but I to see you all again at some future time in the City of Charlotte. u come down there, "there'll be a hot time in the old town that ." I am one of the delegates of the Fire Department of Char- anticipating something not only for myself, but that we may get Association to come to Charlotte next year, and when the proper

time comes I hope to have something to say. I thank you very kin gentlemen, for having an opportunity of getting acquainted with y I have heard a great deal of Greensboro, and I am glad to be up to you. And I am here asking you to come to the Queen City next y

Chief Bain from Goldsboro requested that a pressure gau be placed upon the hydrant to obviate any troubles wh might arise in connection with the pressure.

The Chair suggested that the Committee on Revision Rules take note of the Chief's suggestion and give same c consideration.

Sec. Griffith announced that (as already stated in his Repo he had received three prizes to be competed for in this Tour ment—an Aluminum Pipe, a handsome Lantern and Chie White Coat, the Aluminum Pipe to be offered as a first pr in the quick steaming contest standing still, and the seco prize in that contest would be the lantern. The Chief's wh coat to be offered to the Chief of the Department represent by the best looking company in line of march in the para on Wednesday, to be decided by the Executive Committee the Association.

Question as to the proper handicap for the different class of engines referred to Committee.

The President called attention of Committee on Rules the question of a handicap for the different size engines.

The following resolution was introduced by Capt Gales, Winston:

"Resolved that the State Firemen's Convention be held next ye during the month of September."

Moved and seconded that the resolution be tabled. Carrie

Mr. Daniels moved that the Convention request the citize of Greensboro or their Committee of Arrangements to chang the Championship Reel Race from Friday to Thursday afte noon.

Much discussion took place and it was decided to refer th matter to the Committee on Rules, &c., to make a report c the change at same time they reported on the rules.

ıy claiming a change should be made from Friday to day because they had arranged to be away from home ł ree days, as they thought the first programme sent out ted, thinking that was official as it had the President's ecretary's names signed to it.

retary Griffith:

ık I am due the Association, or the Convention, an explanation his program. As you are aware, any of you who have ever had g to do with the working up the local affairs of a town, prepar- or a meeting of this kind, it is a pretty hard job to get the peo- ether and get them to work in time. Time after time, night ght, several would get together but there were not enough that ıeir duty, or rather that they should do such a thing as to go on ıg matters without the others were there. I was receiving let- every mail from the firemen in the different towns in the State, "Why in the name of sense don't you send out your progams?" went to Chief Phipps and Mr. Elam, and told them that the d come in which I owed it to the firemen of the State to do ng. And we got up a program based on some progams that had before. We drew this up and had it printed. Had it at the suggestions of Mr. Elam and Mr. Phipps. They were . The first thing I knew I saw another program out. I began g letters from the different fire departments asking about the And this is just how the first program was sent out, at the ons of Chief Phipps and Mr. Elam, we worked it up. They t as the program from the officers of the Association. Of he town works up the affair, furnishes the money and all that, ight be stated and claimed that they have the right to make program, but the Association certainly does hold supervision Tournament. I think I was due an explanation to the Associa-) why the changes were made. That is just how it stands.

aylor:

it would be well for the captains of the different reel teams ether and decide when they think will be the best time to ace. And I also think that it will be well for the representa- e engine companies who expect to take part in the quick ontest to make some arrangement for the time for that, and ıe Association for that time.

Moved that it be referred to committee. Seconded carried.

Secretary read a letter to the Association from the L Executive Committee of Roanoke, Va., inviting the offi and members of this Assocation to be present at the com Tournament of the Virginia Firemen's Convention, Septem 27, 28 and 29.

The President urged the members if they could avail th selves of the opportunity to attend this meeting, that t would do so, and requested the Secretary to make mentio the letter in the Minutes, to show the appreciation of the go will between the two Associations.

Chief Stone expressed his desire that if it were possible the Association to transact all business in time to adjourn fore evening, that they do so, as the State Horticult Society were to meet in the City in the evening, and a num of the members of their Association are Guilford county p ple, and they would like very much to have the court hou if the Firemen's Association were out of the way. But ow to the fact that the different committees would not have s ficient time to meet and report, another session was necessa And upon motion, the Association took a recess until 8:30

EVENING SESSION.

The Convention was called to order at 8:30, by Presid McNeill.

President called for the report of the Committee on Re ion of Tournament Rules. They had not yet entered.

Chairman of the Finance Committee reported that they examined the books of the Secretary and Treasurer and fou same correct.

Mr. Campbell:

Mr. President, I feel so much interested in your organization, a feel lost without holding a membership in such a splendid organiz as this, that I would ask the privilege of this floor to make a prop

n to this Convention, that I hope will meet with their approval, and ould request the Chair to ask the Convention to give me the privge of the floor to make this proposition. (Privilege granted).

Mr. Campbell:

. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Convention:

n organizations in which I have been a member heretofore, and at e time I was Chief of the Fire Department, and of my own volition esigned to fall back to my old position as Superintendent of the ater Works. At the time I kept the position as Chief of the Fire partment, I was also Superintendent of the Water Works, and the y reason why I held these two responsible positions at the same e was at the request of the Department of my city. But having rened position of the Chief of the Fire Department I did not lose my erest in the State Firemen's Association. Therefore the constitun and by-laws of our Association were so amended that a Superinendent of Water Works could become a member of the Association he same classification as Superintendent of Fire Alarms. We found orked very nicely, because in some cities where the water works nt is owned by corporations they did not always work in harmony h the fire department, and in fact, if a Superintendent is allowed to ome a member of the State organization, it makes him feel more at ne with you and he becomes more interested in his work, and there-, you extend to him the hand of fellowship, you increase your mbership by the number of water works superintendent you may e, and increase your dues to that extent, and I would be very glad eed if it is possible to do so, to amend your constitution and bys by which you would say along with Superintendents of Fire rms, Superintendents of Water Works. And should you do this, rtainly should be very happy indeed to become a member of this anization, and such feeble service as I could give you in the way of member I should be very glad to do.

President referred the members to Article III, Section 1, of nstiution.

Moved that the request be granted and made to read, "The mbers of this Association shall consist of the several Chiefs l Assistant Chiefs of Fire Departments, Fire Marshals, perintendents of Fire Alarm, Telegraph, and Water Works." onded.

President then referring to Article VI., found that "This

Association shall have power to alter, amend or revise t Constitution and By-Laws, but it shall be necessary for a tw third vote of the members of the Association present entitl to vote; provided, the proposed amendment shall be submitt in writing at a previous meeting of the Executive Committee

Mr. McSorley, of New Bern, then put his motion in wr ing. It was approved by the Executive Committee, all pre ent but one. Put before the House and carried.

Mr. Campbell:

I thank the gentleman present for this resolution, and in the prop order and at the proper time, I would like to have my name enroll as a member of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

VOLUNTEER REPORT OF FIRE ORGANIZATION

Secretary called the roll of the different departments in t State, who reported as follows :

Concord Hose and Reel Co.—Is in good standing. We ha 20 members. They keep their dues all paid up. Per capita tax in t Association paid up, and in good standing. Have 500 feet hos standard 2½ inch, that we did not have last year.

Greensboro Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 1.—I will state in t interest of the company that we have a membership of 14, and ever thing in good woorking order.

Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1, Greensboro.—We are in goo standing; have 18 members. I think, have increased our property some extent.

Southside Hose Co., No. 4, Greensboro.—Southside Ho Company is in good standing; all our members are beneficiary mem bers of the Association, and will remain so. We are increasing service; do not have much to do. We are also increasing in propert

Eagle Hose Co., No. 7, Greensboro.—Is in good standing; alwa ready to answer the alarm; have 24 active members.

Charlotte Paid Department.—We have purchased a new hos reel and two horses. The department is in much better condition tha before.

HARLOTTE REEL TEAM.—Since our last meeting we have pur-
sed a new reel and 500 feet of hose.

APITAL HOSE CO., RALEIGH.—No response.

ESCUE STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO., RALEIGH.—We have 2,000 feet
e, and all our membership are good active workers.

OOK AND LADDER CO., NO. 1, RALEIGH.—(Representative sick).

ESCUE HOOK AND LADDER CO., ASHEVILLE.—Is in good condi-
; we have not made any big improvement on last year; have 17
ve members.

OSE CO., NO. 1, ASHEVILLE.—Is in fair shape; about the best it
been, I believe. We have not made any new purchase; they are
ing a new wagon now, and suppose we will get it in about three
ths; have 20 members.

RE CO., NO. 3, WILSON.—Wilson is in good shape; we have put
ithin the last thirty days a new bell, and are putting in an electric
n. Have put in 750 feet hose in the last year; have answered 21
in six months.

UGH AND READY FIRE CO., SALEM.—Is in fair shape; have put in
g the last year, 1,000 feet of hose.

GLE HOSE CO., NO. 4, SALEM.—In good shape, better than it has
been before. 500 feet of hose.

OK AND LADDER CO., NO. 1, WILMINGTON.—One new horse, one
bell; are in good condition.

EAM FIRE ENGINE CO., NO. 1, WILMINGTON.—800 feet hose;
thing in good shape, except a reel.

SE CO., NO. 3, WILMINGTON.—Has 2 horses, hose wagon, in
shape; 800 feet new hose.

ANTIC STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO., NO. 1, NEW BERN.—Is in trim
tion; have 1,500 feet hose; have 65 members in good standing,
ur treasury is in better condition than it has been in some time.

V BERN STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO., NO. 1.—In good condition;
eet of hose in reel service, and have a reserve given us by the
pair of new horses; in good working order and active service.

CORA STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO., NO. 1, FAYETTEVILLE.—Fay-
le is all right; new wagon.

AM FIRE ENGINE CO., NO. 2, WINSTON.—In good shape; 2,600
hose; 16 members and in good shape all round.

WINSTON CO., NO. 1.—In good standing; has an engine, hose c 20 men, 3 head horses.

ELECTRIC HOSE REEL CO., GOLDSBORO.—Our company is in v good condition. We have 700 feet of hose, and 19 members.

ECLIPSE STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO., GOLDSBORO.—Was never better condition; 15 members, and in pretty good fix all around.

FIRE CO., NO. 1, GOLDSBORO.—We have been discouraged, as all have heard. We went right ahead, though, and increased our m bership by 13 men, that brings it up to 27. Bought a hook and lad truck, 500 feet hose and a hand reel; the town has given us a ho which we are proud of.

HOSE CO., NO. 2, DURHAM.—Good condition; 24 men, all meml of the Association. Recently purchased a new horse and a new wag which will be delivered after the first.

HOSE CO., NO. 1, DURHAM.—Good condition; one wagon, 2 hor hand reel, 16 to 20 men.

NELSON HOSE CO., NO. 1, HENDERSON.—In very good shape; 1 feet new hose.

HOOK AND LADDER CO., NO. 1, TARBORO.—We are in good co tion; good active members of good standing; have increased our 500 feet additional; have not had any occasion to use them.

HOSE CO., NO. 1, SALISBURY.—Is in good shape; we have 18 m bers, and our Board has shown its appreciation of our service by ting one of our department on the Board. I think our prospects better than ever.

STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO., NO. 2, WILMINGTON.—One engine one hose wagon; in good condition.

HOOK AND LADDER CO., NO. 1, WINSTON.—Good shape, hav members, 2 horse truck.

WEST END HOSE CO., NO. 5, GREENSBORO.—16 active meml and I think I may safely state that we are the only company in town that own our own hose house.

FIRE CO., NO. 1, SPENCER.—Have three reel teams, and in g shape.

SALISBURY HOOK AND LADDER CO., NO. 1.—Is all right; ha men, and they will get a new truck next year.

President:

Gentlemen of the Convention: I hope you have noticed the

provement in these reports given to us to-night over what they have en heretofore. It but simply shows you the effect of organization; hows you the value of your Association. Let us keep this work ng forward, so that every year our reports will show a continued rease. (Applause).

Committee on the Revision of Rules was now ready to port.

President referred the Convention to the Proceedings of the t Convention, page 60.

Mr. Daniels, Chairman of the Committee, then read the es as amended.

Moved and seconded that the changes in the rules as read the Chairman of the Revision Committee be adopted. rried.

Committee on Programs made some minor changes, which Local Committee of the City did not agree to.

Mr. Douglas, in behalf of the Committee of Arrangements, posed to compromise with the Committee on Program, vided they did not interfere with the horse racing on ednesday afternoon. Hence this part of the program was t as it was.

President:

n my report to-day, I recommended the appointment of a committee throw further safeguards around benefit applications.

Moved and seconded that the new Executive Committee to elected to-night by this Association shall revise the rules verning benefit applications, and to make them as thorough they in their best judgment can.

Moved and seconded that Section 11, rules governing champonship contests, be left to the President, that he shall appoint ee judges, one time-keeper, and one whose duty it shall be take charge of the race as per the general rules. Carried.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

President was put in nomination for re-election.

Moved and seconded that the Secretary cast the vote of t entire Convention for Jas. D. McNeill for President for t ensuing year. Carried unanimously.

President McNeill:

I can do nothing more than simply say to you that I thank you for honor which you have conferred upon me again, and I can only g you my past as a pledge for my future.

Nominations for First Vice-President were now in ord and the name of Jos. J. Stone, of Greensboro, was placed nomination; also the name of Capt. H. L. Riggans, of W ston. Mr. Stone withdrew his name and moved that t Secretary cast the vote of the Convention for Mr. Riggans First Vice-President for the following year. Carried.

For Second Vice-President, the name of R. D. Douglas, Greensboro, was put in nomination. Elected unanimously.

For Secretary, the names of Dr. J. W. Griffith and E. Clarke, both of Greensboro, were put in nomination. Vo taken by roll-call. Dr. J. W. Griffith having received a lar majority of the votes cast, was elected Secretary for the ens ing year.

The Secretary, as per instructions of the Convention, ca the solid vote of the Convention for Mr. T. A. Green Taeasurer.

Mr. Green:

I cannot but feel grateful for the acknowledgement of your sincer and of your confidence. I have at all times endeavored to keep r books in good shape, and I have at all times and under all circu stances paid every order that has been presented to me at onc There is not a man in the Association that has ever had a claim agai the Association that had to wait twenty-four hours after I got his ord and I promise you in the future that you will see that it is the sam Again thanking you for the confidence afforded me. I am,

Yours, GREEN.

Nominations for Statistician were now in order, and th names of L. J. Taylor of Newbern, W. P. Monroe of Wi

ıgton, and C. H. Swink of Salisbury, were placed in nination. Vote taken by roll call.

'aylor, 32; Monroe, 29; Swink, 23:—84 votes cast.

Moved and seconded that after this ballot the lowest man dropped. Carried.

Next vote: Taylor, 26; Monroe, 31; Swink, 25:—82.

Swink being the lowest man was dropped.

Third vote: Taylor, 31; Monroe, 47:—78.

W. P. Monroe, of Wilmington, having received the major- of votes, was elected Statistician for the ensuing year.

Moved and seconded that the Association extends a vote of nks to the officers who have served during the year. ried.

Next thing in order was the selection of a place for meeting t year. Invitation from the Mayor of Wilmington was l as follows:

WILMINGTON, N. C., July 11th, 1899.

he Officers and Members of the
North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

NTLEMEN: In pursance of a resolution adopted by the Board of rmen of the City of Wilmington, I have the honor and pleasure of ıding to your Association a cordial invitation to hold your next ıal Tournament tn this city.

e hope the invitation will be accepted, and assure you, on behalf r people, that, if it is, every effort will be made to render your ıleasant and agreeable.

Very respectfully,

A, M. WADDELL, *Mayor.*

ıd Mr. Campbell, of Charlotte, invited the Association in f of the "Queen City of Charlotte." Then a close contest d. Vote was taken by roll-call, and Wlimington was ed, having received the majority of votes.

Secretary Griffith announced that Mayor Taylor requested every company would please him very much if they l leave him one of Company badges, as a souvenir of the ınt occasion.

Mr. Miller, of Goldsboro, moved that the Chair appo committee to draft a Resolution of Thanks to the Mayo citizens of Greensboro for their kindness and courtesy many ways, especially in the grand display and trades ex and that a copy of the Resolution be sent to the daily p for publication. Carried. Mr. Miller was made Chairm the Committee.

Moved that the resolution be amended to includ Southern Railway Company, who deserve the thanks o Association for the courtesy they have extended to it, i they gave us such reasonable rates and had their appa transported free of charge. Carried.

There being no further business, the Association adjo at 11:30 to meet at Wilmington, N. C., in 1900.

SECOND DAY.

Grand parade, formation of the parade. We take ex from what the *Daily Record*, of August 2nd, the leading in the city, says:

It is no easy job to start a parade, the size of the one seen he day, off on time. But it was a little late when the body moved Summit Avenue.

It was a difficult job to secure a full description of each and float and each piece of apparatus, and the bright uniforms worn many firemen in line.

This can be said. There was not an ugly float or any thing e the procession.

The formation of the line was as follows with the head of line on Summit Avenue:

Cordon of Mounted Police.

First North Carolina Volunteer Regiment Band.

Carriages with Officers of the N. C. S. F. Association and pro visitors—ladies and gentlemen.

Winston Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 1.

Sailisbury Fire Co., No. 1.

Southside Hose Co., wagon followed by the Company fl sea-shell) occupied by twenty ladies in white.

Southside Reel Team.
Rescue Hook and Ladder Truck, Asheville.
Eagle Hose Co., No. 7, with Hose Wagon.
Eagle Junior Hose Team, Float with children.
Asheboro Street Pharmacy with float.
New Bern Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 1,
New Bern Reel Team (Champions for 1898 and '99).
New Bern Horse Hose Wagon.
West End Hose Co., No. 5, Greensboro.
West End Hose Co., No. 5, float.
Durham Band.
City Graded School Float "Our Public Schools".
Greensboro Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 1.
Greensboro Engine and Hose Wagon Float.
Goldsboro Eclipse Steam Fire Engine Co.
Goldsboro Reel Team.
Goldsboro Hook and Ladder Truck.
Goldsboro Junior Hose Co.
Greensboro Hook and Ladder Co. Float.
Salem Rough and Ready Fire Engine Co., Engine and Hose Wagon, ıd Racing Team.
Gate City Band.
Southern Express Company Float.
Bugalo Dairy Float, and many other floats representing the many ıdustries in the city, finishing with a calvary of young ladies on horse ıck. All making one of the grandest spectacles ever witnessed any here before in the State. Taking thirty-five minutes to pass a stated ɔint.

AFTERNOON.

SUMMIT AVENUE, 2:30 P. M.

The following steamers were entered for the quick steaming :art to finish contest:

ENTRIES.

Greensboro S. F. E. Co., No. 1, time 4 min. 18¼ seconds.
Winston S. F. E. Co., No. 1, time 3 min. 55 seconds.
Eclipse S, F. E, Co., Goldsboro, time 4 min. 2 seconds.
New Bern S. F. E. Co., time 2 min. 55 seconds.

JUDGES—Geo. L. Brandt, W. A. Farris, W. A. Eyler, W. O. Gattis.

TIMERS—R. M. Rees, Jno. L. Hare.

STARTER—Dr. J. W. Griffith.

DISTANCE—Winston, 282 feet 9 inches.
Goldsboro, 256 feet 11 inches.

JUDGES—Geo. L. Brandt, W. A. Farris, W. A. Eyler, W. O. Ga

THIRD DAY.

HAND REEL CONTEST.

ENTRIES.

Hose Co., No. 2, Durham.
Southside Hose Co., Greensboro.
Chicora Hose Reel Co., Fayetteville.
Reel Team, Charlotte.
Hose Co., No. 1, Durham.
Eagle Hose Co., No. 4, Salem.
Hose Co., No. 1, Goldsboro.
S. F. E. Co., No. 1, Reel Team, New Bern.
Eagle Hose, No. 7, Greensboro.
Hose Co., Salisbury.

JUDGES—M. E. McCowan, C. L. Stevens, Leon Brandt, Wa
Hege, J. M. Green, W. C. Badger.

STARTER—Jno. J. Nelson.

TIMERS—J. J. Phoenix, J. H. Walsh.

TIME—Chicora, 31½ seconds.
Goldsboro, No. 1, 29 seconds. Protested.
Durham, No. 1, 36 4-5 seconds.
Charlotte, no time.
Southside, Greensboro, 30½ seconds.
Salisbury, 34¼ seconds.
New Bern, 29¾ seconds. Protested.
Durham, No. 2, no time.
Salem, 31 3-5 seconds.
Eagle Hose, Greensboro, 33 seconds.

Protest against Goldsboro and New Berne were entered on ground that Goldsboro man held on to coupling at hydrant a water showed in same; and the New Bern coupling at nozzle did show three full threads.

NOTE—The Starter of first day (the appointment of the Association Preside was changed on account of objection being offered by the Greensboro Dep ment, and Mr. J. J. Nelson substituted.

Judges sustained protests and ordered Goldsboro and New Bern ›mpanies ruled out, giving first prize to South Side Hose Co., No. Greensboro.

Chicora, Fayetteville, second prize.

GRAB REEL CONTEST.

ENTRIES.

Iose Co., No. 2, Durham.
›outh Side Hose Co., No. 4, Greensboro.
:hicora Hose Reel Co., Fayetteville.
:eel Team, Charlotte.
Iose Co., No. 1, Durham.
:agle Hose Co., No. 4, Salem.
Iose Co., No. 1, Goldsboro.
. F. E. Co., No. 1, Reel Team, New Bern.
:agle Hose Co., No. 7, Greensboro.
Iose Co., No. 1, Salisbury.

JDGES—M. E. McCowan, C. L. Stevens, Leon Brandt, Walter Hege, J. M. Green, W. C. Badger.

TARTER—Jno. J. Nelson.

IMERS—J. J. Phoenix, J. H. Walsh.

IME—Chicora, Blew off at hydrant.
Goldsboro, No. 1, 21¾ seconds.
Durham, No. 1, 26 seconds.
Charlotte, 20½ seconds.
South Sides, Greensboro, 20¾ seconds.
Salisbury, 23½ seconds.
New Bern, 21¾ seconds.
Durham, No. 2, 24¾ seconds.
Salem, 27 1-5 seconds.
Eagles, Greensboro, 22 3-5 seconds.

arlotte gets first prize; South Sides, second prize

CHAMPIONSHIP REEL CONTEST.

ENTRIES.

Chicora Hose Reel Co., Fayetteville.
Hose Co., No. 1, Goldsboro.
South Side Hose Co., No. 4, Greensboro.
Hose Co., Salisbury.
New Bern Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 1, New Bern.
Eagle Hose Co., No. 4, Salem.
Eagle Hose Co., No. 7, Greensboro.

JUDGES—M. E. McCowan, C. L. Stevens, Leon Brandt, Wa
Hege, J. M. Green, W. C. Badger.

STARTER—Jno. J. Nelson.

TIMERS—J. J. Phoenix, J. H. Walsh.

TIME—Chicora, Fayetteville, 54 seconds.
Goldsboro, No. 1, 51 seconds.
South Sides, Greensboro, 49 seconds.
Salisbury, Ruled out.
New Berne S. F. E. Co., No. 1, 50¾ seconds.
Salem, Eagles, 51 seconds.
Eagle Hose, Greensboro, Withdrew in favor of South S

South Side Hose Co., of Greensboro, was awarded the Champ ship Belt for 1899 and 1900.

HORSE HOOK AND LADDER CONTEST.

ENTRIES.

Rescue Hook and Ladder Co., Asheville.
Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1, Winston.
Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1, Greensboro.

JUDGES—M. E. McCowan, C. L. Stevens, Leon Brandt, W
Hege, J. M. Green, W. C. Badger.

STARTER—Jno. J. Nelson.

TIMERS—J. J. Phoenix, J. H. Walsh.

TIME—Winston, 50½ seconds.
Greensboro, 56½ seconds.
Asheville, 47¾ seconds.

Rescue Hook and Ladder Co., of Asheville, was awarded first p Winston, second prize.

JUNIOR HAND REEL CONTEST.

ENTRIES.

Greensboro Junior Hose Co., Greensboro.
Goldsboro Junior Hose Co., Goldsboro.
Fayetteville Junior Hose Co., Fayetteville.

DGES—M. E. McCowan, C. L. Stevens, Leon Brandt, Walter Hege, J. M. Green, W. C. Badger.

ARTER—Jno. J. Nelson.

MERS—J. J. Phoenix, J. H. Walsh.

ME—Greensboro, 22 seconds.
Goldsboro, 23 seconds.
Fayetteville, 24 seconds.

eensboro Junior Reel Team was awarded first prize; Goldsboro or Reel Team, second prize.

FOURTH DAY.

HORSE HOSE WAGON CONTEST.

ENTRIES.

lipse S. F. E. Co., Goldsboro.
w Bern S. F. E. Co., No. 1.
F. E. Co., No. 1, Greensboro.
e Co., No. 1, Goldsboro.
uth Side Hose Co., No. 4, Greensboro.
F. E. Co., No. 1, Winston.

DGES—M. E. McCowan, C. L. Stevens, Leon Brandt, Walter Hege, J. M. Green, W C. Badger.

ARTER—Jno. J. Nelson.

IERS—J. J. Phoenix, J. H. Walsh.

IE—Eclipse, Goldsboro, 59 seconds.
New Bern, 43 4-5 seconds.
S. F. E. Co., No. 1, Greensboro, 45 4-5 seconds.
Goldsboro, No. 1, 44 4-5 seconds.
South Side, 51 1-5 seconds.
Winston, 46 seconds.

t prize was awarded to New Bern Co.; second prize, Goldsboro,

INDIVIDUAL FOOT RACE.

ENTRIES.

Goldsboro, No. 1—Emmett Kornegay, W. O. Gattis.
Eagle Hose, No. 7, Greensboro—R. N. Watson, C. D. Ross.
New Bern—T. A. Mann, L. L. Hendren.
Eagle Hose, No. 4, Salem—C. E. Tesh.
Salisbury—W. A. Boon.

JUDGES—M. E. McCowan, C. L. Stevens, Leon Brandt, W
Hege, J. M. Green, W. C. Badger.

STARTER—Jno. J. Nelson.

TIMERS—J. J. Phoenix, J. H. Walsh.

Start all abreast.
First Out—Emmett Kornegay, time 10¼ seconds—First prize.

QUICK STEAM CONTEST.—STAND STILL.

ENTRIES.

New Bern S. F. E. Co., No. 1.
Winston S. F. E. Co., No. 1.

JUDGES—M. E. McCowan, C. L. Stevens, Leon Brandt, W
Hege, J. M. Green, W. C. Badger.

STARTER—Jno. J. Nelson.

TIMERS—J. J. Phoenix, J. H. Walsh.

TIME—New Bern, 2 minutes 28¼ seconds.
Winston No. 1, 4 minutes 49 seconds.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

At a meeting of the North Carolina State Fire-
n's Association, held in Greensboro August 1st,
99, the following resolutions were unanimously
opted :

'The firemen of North Carolina, in meeting as-
nbled,

'Resolved, first, That as the people of Greensboro
ve opened their homes and their hearts to us and
ertained us in the most hospitable manner,
ir courtesy and kindness is deeply appreciated
the members of this association.

'Resolved, second, That the thanks of this as-
iation be extended to the various railroads of
State, especially the Southern, that have shown
he courtesy of transporting our apparatus free
given us such a very reasonable rate.

Resolved, third, That a copy of these resolu-
s be sent to the daily papers of Greensboro and
leading papers of the State, with a request to
y.

"F. M. Miller,
"James McNeill,
"T. C. Daniels,
"Committee."

IN MEMORIAM.

GUY F. STYRON,
New Bern, N. C., September 20, 1894.

ED. B. ENGELHARD,
Raleigh, N. C., February 9, 1896.

N. V. HERNDON,
Durham, N. C., March 8, 1896.

FRANK BRANAN,
Raleigh, N. C., May 14, 1895.

CHARLES LEWIS,
Greensboro, N. C., June 17, 1895.

JOHN W. FINK,
Concord, N. C., July 15, 1895.

JOHN G. CAUBLE,
Salisbury, N. C., July 10, 1896.

CHARLES WARREN,
Durham, N. C., June 10, 1897.

J. W. STAFFORD,
Goldsboro, N. C., —— ——.

W. T. McCARTHY,
New Bern, N. C., March 25, 1898.

CHAS. G. BRADLEY,
Tarboro, N. C., February 16, 1899.

ıles Governing Tournaments and Races Held Under the Supervision of the Association.

RULE I.

Ihere shall be held annually an Association Tournament, at h time and place as the Association shall from time to time ect, at which Tournament, and no other, the championship he various branches of the firemen's service shall be con- ed for.

All Tournaments shall be under the auspices of the Associa- , but the arrangements shall be made by the firemen and ens at the place at which it is to be held.

RULE II.

ECTION 1. Champion prizes, other than money prizes, l be the property of the Association, subject to their call control, but will be in possession of the champion Com- es until within ten days of the meeting of the Association, n it shall be returned to the Secretary, and by him put in keeping until the day of the races, and then he shall place same in the hands of the judges of the race for which the is offered before the Companies start in said race.

EC. 2. This Association shall have power to suspend any pany from participating in any Annual Tournament.

EC. 3. All Companies, members of this Association, can st for prizes at the Annual Tournamen, unless suspended.

EC. 4. All prizes hereafter offered for contest at the An- Tournament of the Association, for which there has been mpetition, shall revert to the North Carolina State Fire- s Association, to be by said Association devoted to the

purchase of permanent Association Championship prizes be competed for as provided for in the preceding section.

RULE III.

SECTION 1. The Captains of the competing teams s select Judges and Time-Keepers, at each Annual Tournam who shall decide each and every contest which takes plac said Tournument. That no one shall serve as a Judge in of the contests who is not a resident of the State of N Carolina, and who is a member of a competing company ing part in these contests, and the decision of these Ju shall be final.

RULE IV.

SECTION 1. Any Company attempting to win a priz fraud, deception or foul play, or in any dishonorable wa who shall disobey or infringe upon or evade any of the requ ments of these Rules, shall forfeit any prize won thereby, shall be subject to suspension or expulsion.

SEC. 2. None but regular organized Companies, have been organized as such at least thirty days prior to Annual Tournament, and are members of this Associat can compete for any championship, and no person shall allowed to run with or assist any Company in any contest has not been a member of said Company at least thirty prior to such contest.

SEC. 3. No Company shall be allowed more than one in any contest.

RULE V.

SECTION 1. Every person taking any part in any con requiring running shall be required to start with his Comp from the starting point.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Starting Judges to s each team by saying, "Are you ready?" after which a p will be fired or an electric bell sounded, and time taken f these.

SEC. 3. All contestants in races must be decently clothed, e Executive Committee to decide.

RULE VI.

SECTION 1. The Start and Outcome Judges in any con-st shall, by means of flag signals, signify the readiness for a rt prior to any run.

SEC. 2. Timers must be placed at the Outcome and time ust be settled by them before reporting to the Judges, and ey must report their readiness to Judges at Outcome before ch team is started.

RULE VII.

SECTION 1. The names of the contestants in each team, d the names of not more than four substitutes in each team, ist be handed to the Secretary of the Association prior to contest; and such list must be accompanied by a certificate m the Foreman and Secretary of the Department to which team belongs that such parties are actual members in good ding in said Department.

SEC. 2. In case of a tie being made by teams in any con-t, the Judges shall immediately order such teams to run er, and such run shall decide the contest.

RULE VIII.

SECTION 1. All Hand Reel races shall be run on the sec-l day of Tournament.

SEC. 2. The town, at which Tournament is held, shall be uired to have attached to hydrant at which runs are made, ressure guage that the water pressure may be seen at all es.

RULES GOVERNING HOSE COMPANIES.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP CONTESTS.

SECTION 1. Any cart capable of carrying 500 feet of r ulation hose may be used. Number not to exceed sixt men and a Foreman.

SEC. 2. Hose race, wet or dry, distance to hydrant 2 yards, lay 300 feet of hose, uncouple, put on pipe, time to called when pipe is dropped to the ground in dry run, a when water leaves the pipe in wet run, carts not to carry l than 350 feet of hose reeled into one continuous line. Co panies not to exceed sixteen men and a Foreman.

SEC. 3. The Association shall purchase an electrical sta ing apparatus, with which shall be used in starting all races the Association. The apparatus to be between the wheels four wheel apparatus, and beyond the reel in Reel races.

SEC. 4. Pipe to be carried on cart or by pipeman fr the start. Pipe shall be of such style or pattern as teams m select, *provided always*, they are suitable for active servi *No couplings other than standard screw couplings shall allowed.*

SEC. 5. No man to start ahead of leaders or to fall in a assist in dragging the apparatus after the start.

SEC. 6. No professional runner will be allowed to co pete in any contest. The term, "professional runner," applied to one who has or is following racing as a professi or means of a livelihood, and common reputation shall deemed conclusive evidence of such profession, which shall determined by the Executive Committee.

SEC. 7. All couplings used must be standard screw coup-
gs, eight threads to the inch and adapted to two and one-
lf inch fire-hose; the hose on each coupling not to be shorter
an forty-eight feet.

SEC. 8. All work must be done by hands or spanner.

SEC. 9. Snap, spring and unproportioned couplings, or
y attachment to couplings to assist in breaking or making,
ARRED.

SEC. 10. When time is called competitors must step back
Judges to examine. Judges must chalk pipe and couplings
fore moving, then turn pipe off to see that it takes the re-
ired three turns to disconnect.

SEC. 10. That the Association, at its meeting previous to
time such Championship Race shall come off, shall elect
ee Judges, one Timekeeper and one whose duty it shall be
take charge of the Race under the above Rules and report
results to the Secretary as soon as the Race is over.

HAND HOOK AND LADDER CONTESTS.

Trucks to be weighed and one man allowed to every seventy-
(75) pounds—Captain and Ladderman not included with
running team, but to run in the contest.

Distance to be run one hundred (100) yards—take off and
e one ladder, (which must not be less than thirty (30) feet
g, man to ascend and touch top piece of ladder and descend,
facing ladder. Ladders must be raised by hand—no hooks
poles allowed.

No less than two entries required.

RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING MONEY PRIZES.

STEAMER CONTEST.

QUICK STEAM FROM START TO FINISH.

Two entries required.

Engine to come to starting point, hitched up. To run 2 yards, take suction, attach hose and throw water 50 feet fr nozzle through not less than 98 feet of hose.

Time of firing engine optional after signal to start is giv Driver, Engineer and Stoker to ride on engine. Hose wag to follow with not more than six men, exclusive of driv Time to be taken from starting signal until water goes over t 50-feet line. Quantity and quality of fuel optional.

QUICK STEAM—TWO TO ENTER.

Steamer to come to cistern empty and cold; to be fill with cold water until the engineer running the engine sa "stop"; fuel to be furnished by the Judges, and must be t same as fired with in case of fire (either wood or coal and n over one-half gallon of alcohol or oil), Time to be tak from pistol shot, and to throw water 50 feet, through not le than 48 feet of hose. That the stack on engines in all co tests from this time forward shall not exceed two feet.

DISTANCE—TWO TO ENTER.

Steamer throwing water the greatest distance; with not ov 100 pounds of steam, through not less than 48 feet of hos size of nozzle optional.

The steam guage of each engine to be tested by all compe ing engineers prior to contest.

HAND REEL CONTEST.

TWO TO ENTER.

Sixteen men and a Foreman allowed.

Reel not to carry less than 148 feet of standard two and -half inch hose; to be connected on the start as when ready duty at fires (three full threads); to run 150 yards, unreel less than 98 feet of hose, attach same to plug, screw pipe hose (any size nozzle), throw water in quickest time. ter to show opposite or beyond the hydrant, or Company l be ruled out. The plug must be closed, cap on three ads, at the time of the Company's starting on run, and l be opened by the wrenchman running with the Company. straps or snaps couplings allowed.

he hose must be let go as soon as attached to the plug. e butt is blown off the Company shall be ruled out. No lings shall be used without nipples.

o Company will be allowed to assist another. In the run Company is required to furnish a roll of its members to ecretary of the Association on the morning of the first at as early an hour as possible. Fifteen minutes will be ved each Company after the Judge's signal of ready, and Company failing to start within that time shall be ruled Two entries required. No one allowed inside the s except the Company making the run. The Company ng the best time wins the first prize. No Company al- d to enter more than one team.

GRAB RACE CONTEST.

mpany to run 50 yards, grab reel and run 50 yards to unreel not less than 48 feet of hose, attach same to plug hrow water—drag rope to be up or down (optional with pany). Plug must be close when Company starts to run,

same as the Reel Contest. Coupling to be broken oppo or beyond the plug. Should butt or nozzle blow off, C pany to be ruled out.

HAND TRUCK HOOK AND LADDER RACE

Companies allowed one man to every 75 pounds, exclu of Ladderman and Captain. Must run 100 yards, take and raise one ladder (which must be not less than 30 long), man to ascend and touch top piece or round of lad and descend, replace ladder.

Ladders must be raised by hand. No hooks or poles lowed.

Not less than two entries allowed.

HOOK AND LADDER CONTEST—HORSE TRUC

TWO TO ENTER,

Companies allowed One or Two-Horse Truck. Trucks be weighed. Weight for one horse not less than 1,5 pounds, *exclusive of driver and men;* for two horses not l than 2,600 pounds. Horse or horses to be hitched to truc rear wheels on starting line, and run 300 yards; take off c 30-foot ladder, man to ascend and touch top piece or rou of ladder and descend; replace ladder on truck in same po tion as when removed. Ladder must be raised by hand. hooks or poles allowed. Not less than two entries allowe Not more than sixteen men allowed, exclusive of driver a ladderman.

HORSE REEL RACE.

TWO TO ENTER.

Companies allowed the use of any four-wheeled Hose Ca riage or Wagon, either one or two horse, to carry not le than 350 feet standard two and one-half inch hose; Carria

Wagon to be weighed; weight for one horse not less than 00 pounds, *exclusive of driver and men;* for two horses less than 2,600 pounds, *exclusive of driver and men;* the ver, buttman and coupling breaker shall ride on Carriage Wagon, horse or horses to be standing hitched to Hose riage or Wagon, and run 200 yards to hydrant, unreel not than 288 feet of hose, break coupling and attach pipe and w water; water must show within 50 feet of 288-foot line; e to be reeled on Carriage or placed in Wagon, connected h three full threads. The plug must be closed at the time he Company starting, and cannot be opened until hose is started to be unreeled. Companies allowed five men in ition to those who ride, and can be placed in such position esired. Time taken from first signal until water shows. itt or pipe blows off, Company shall be ruled out.

E HUNDRED YARD FOOT RACE CONTEST.

en to run 100 yards. Two men to be selected by the ain of each Company. The one making the best time the prize.

OTHER EVENTS.

SACK RACE.

ntestants to be enveloped in bags to the neck, run 50 s. All persons entering must run at the same time.

BARROW RACE.

run 50 yards. Contestants to be blindfolded. The one ng nearest the mark wins the prize.

GENERAL RULES.

contestants will be required to take part in the parade, s excused for satisfactory reasons, same to be made in g.

In no case will a second trial be allowed.

Each Company's run will be decided by lot.

Captains will select all Judges on the morning of the c tests.

All competing Companies must furnish the Judges w weight of apparatus—to be weighed on city scales.

Companies wishing couplings—city standard, eight thre to the inch—will be furnished with the same on application the Chief of Fire Department.

Hose will be furnished on the day of contest if desired.

No person will be allowed to enter any of the contest unl he is a *bona fide* member of the Company with which he ters.

N. B.—Judges must be governed by the above RULES, no changes will be allowed under any circumstances.

Act to Incorporate the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

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it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly Convened:

SECTION 1. That C. D. Benbow, J. G. Fowler, H. J. m, A. T. Boyd, C. F. Thomas, J. R. Donnell, Charles ittington and S. D. Wilson, of Greensboro; J. D. McNeill, Fayettevllle; J. T. Thacker, W. F. Keith, S. A. Sink, C. Snipes, F. H. Vogler, F. C. Meinung, of Winston-Salem; B. Englehard, T. W. Blake, F. H. Lumsden and F. Bra-, of Raleigh; H. E. Heartt, of Durham; J. B. Swinson, of rlotte, and such other persons as are associated with them, their successors, be, and they hereby are, constituted a y politic and corporate by the name of the North Carolina e Fireman's Association, and by that name sue and be l, and prosecute and defend suits in all courts in this State, may have and use a common seal, and alter the same at sure. May take contracts and be capable in law of pur-ing, holding and conveying any real or personal estate for ise and benefit of said Association or corporation, *provided*, said corporation shall not at any time hold real or per-l estate of a greater amount than ten thousand ($10,000) rs.

EC. 2. The purposes for which said Association is organ-are: The protection and the promotion of the best in-ts of the Firemen of North Carolina, the compilation of tatistics, the collection of information concerning the prac-workings of different systems of organizations, the exam-on and inquiry concerning the merits of the different kinds

of apparatus in use and the improvements in the same, t cultivation of a fraternal fellowship between the different Co panies of the State.

SEC. 3. Said Association or corporation shall have pow to appoint officers, hold meetings, to adopt a Constitution a enact such By-Laws in such manner as their Constitution m prescribe, and make such rules and regulations as may be ne essary to carry into effect the objects and aims of the Assoc tion : *provided*, that such Constitution and By-Laws, rules a regulations be not repugnant to the Constitution of the Sta and of the United States.

SEC. 4. That this act shall be in force from and after ratification.

Ratified the 11th day of March, A. D. 1889.

THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

PREAMBLE.

e, the members of the North Carolina State Firemen's ciation, in order to form a more perfect organization, es- h harmony of action, insure prosperity and success, pro- pecuniary support, secure protection and promote the nterest of the Firemen of North Carolina, and compile ics of information concerning the practical working of is systems and the merits of the different apparatus in r the extinguishing of fires, also the cultivation of frater- llowship between the several Fire Departments of the do hereby establish the following Constitution and By- :

Constitution and By-Laws.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

TION 1. This organization shall be known as the North na State Firemen's Association.

ARTICLE II.

TION 1. The officers of this Association shall consist esident, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Sta- n, and they shall constitute the Executive Committee, l hold their respective offices for one year, or until their ors shall be elected and qualified.

2 The officers shall be elected at the annual meeting Association by ballot, the successful candidate to receive ity of the votes cast.

ARTICLE III.

SECTION 1. The members of this Association shall c of the several Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs of Fire D ments, Fire Marshalls, Superintendents of Fire Alarm graph, and Waterworks, and each regular organized Company in the several Fire Departments of the State persons and Companies complying with the provisions Constitution and By-Laws of this Association ; all indi members of such Fire Company shall, also, by virtue o membership in such Company, be members of this Assoc for the purpose of participating in the benefits of this As tion, and the funds distributed by it, so long as said Con remains a member of this Association and complies wi Constitution and By-Laws, and no longer. But shoul member fail to pay his *pro rata* assessment, when callc he shall be debarred from the privileges of this Associati

SEC. 2. Any member injured or made sick by diseas tracted in the actual discharge of his duty, as a Fire shall be entitled to the benefits from the "Firemen's Fund" of this Association as follows: At the rate c ($2.00) dollars while totally unable to attend to his ord business by reason of such injury or sickness, but such ficiary, arising from any particular injury or sickness, not lose time longer than *one hundred* days from date of injury, or beginning of such disability created by such sick but when partially disabled may receive $1.00 per day fo exceeding twenty days ; but the Executive Committee extend such benefits to the next annual meeting of the ciation held next after the expiration of said period c hundred days, and the Association at the annual meeting at its pleasure, determine the time for which such benefit be received. That 10 per cent. be deducted from all c for benefits, and placed to the credit of the General Fu defray expenses of the same. In case of death from sickness or injury, this Association shall pay to the wid

leceased $250.00 and $50.00 for funeral expenses, and in the deceased should have no relatives, this amount shall aid into the treasury of the Company of which he was a ber. Every person or Company eligible and desiring to me a member of this Association shall make application e Secretary, and at the same time pay to the Secretary rescribed membership fee, and thereupon, if such applic- e eligible, he shall become a member of this Association.

c. 3. Every Fire Company in the State, which is a ber of this Association, shall, on or before the first day ugust in each year, elect two delegates and, also, two ates, to serve for the ensuing year, with the Chief En- r and First Assistant of the various departments as del- s at large, who are entitled to one vote each. They be beneficiary members of this Association and shall on our beneficiary roll.

c. 4. All Companies represented in this Association be in full accord and in good standing in the Fire De- ent where they are located, and if at any time they are , they shall forfeit all right to membership in this Asso- n; but that Companies who retire from active service erm of not more than two years shall be considered en- to all privileges of the Convention.

ARTICLE IV.

TION 1. The annual meeting of the Association shall l at such time and place, in each and every year, as the ive Committee may select, as a majority of the mem- esent of the Association shall designate, and special g may be called by the President or a majority of the ive Committee.

2. A failure to hold any annual meeting at the time ted in the Constitution shall in nowise make a disso- f the Association.

SEC. 3. The Executive Committee shall meet at time and place as they may decide, on a call of the Pre or a majority of said Committee.

ARTICLE V.

SECTION 1. If any vacancy shall occur by reason of resignation of office or membership of any officers o Association, such vacancy may be filled by the Exe Committee for the unexpired term for which said offic selected.

ARTICLE VI.

SECTION 1. This Association shall have power to amend or revise this Constitution and By-Laws, but i be necessary for a two-thirds vote of the members of th sociation present *entitled to vote : provided*, the pro amendment shall be submitted in writing at a previous ing of the Executive Committee.

By-Laws.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the President t side over the meetings of the Association and to si orders duly granted by the Association or Executive mittee.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President t form all the duties of the President in his absence.

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to k complete record of the proceedings of the Associati receive and answer all communications pertaining to the ciation. To keep a roster of the names of the different panies composing the Association and the individual me ship thereof, and to collect the initiation fee and per tax, to pay the same over to the Treasurer, taking his r

erefor. He shall receive as compensation for his services 00 per annum, to be paid quarterly by warrant on the easurer, signed by the President.

SEC. 4. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys collected the Secretary and receipt to him for the same. He shall lect annually from the State Treasurer the amount appro-ated by the Legislature for the Firemen's Relief Fund. He ll disburse no moneys except on order of the President or instruction of the Association in annual meeting assembled. the annual meeting he shall make a full report of all mon-, received and distributed by him, and shall execute a bond the State of North Carolina to the amount of $5,000, to be roved and filed with the Treasurer of the said State of rth Carolina, and shall make a detailed report to the said asurer of the yearly expenditures of the Firemen's Relief nd. He shall execute a bond in the sum of $800 to this ociation for the security of the General Fund, said bond st be approved by the Executive Committee. He shall eive $150 compensation as annual salary, to be paid quar-y by warrant issued by the Secretary and signed by the sident.

EC. 5. It shall be the duty of the Statistician to correctly pile the statistics of each village and city in the State, of matters pertaining to the fire service, annually correcting previous reports, which shall include everything of interest ur Firemen, and be so arranged as to be comprehensive s every detail. The expense of all printing, printed mat-nd postage necessary in the sending for and receiving of information to be paid by the Association, and he shall ive $25 annually for his services.

EC. 6. The duty of the Executive Committee shall be ave published the proceedings of the Association, to act all business of the Association during the time inter-ng between the annual meetings, and they shall constitute ard of Trustees for the management of all funds of the

Association. At all meetings of the Executive Committe majority of the Committee shall constitute a quorum, an majority of such quorum may determine all questions.

ARTICLE II.

SECTION 1. Each Company shall pay a membership of five dollars, and fifty cents per capita yearly therea in advance, for dues; and each Chief, Assistant Chief, F Marshal and Superintendent of Fire Alarm Telegraph, Water Works shall pay one dollar annual dues in advar The Secretary of the Association shall be exempt from payment of annual dues.

SEC. 2. The annual dues shall be paid on or before first day of January in each year, in advance for the ensu year. And all members who fail to comply with this Sect shall, thereupon, and by reason of such failure, cease to members of this Association and cannot again become me bers except by a new application, made in regular form, paying the prescribed fee for membership.

SEC. 3. Any individual or Company, members of t Association, who, at any time, fail to act in a gentlema manner, may, upon charges being brought before the Asso ation, be expelled from said Association by a majority vote the membership.

SEC. 4. Any exempt Fireman may, upon the payment two dollars and of the regular annual dues, become a meml of this Association, with all the rights and privileges of a other member.

ARTICLE III.

SECTION 1. All members sick or injured in the line of t duty shall be entitled to the benefits from the Firemen's Re Fund of this Association as follows: At the rate of two doll each day, while unable to attend to their regular business, provided for in the Constitution. That 10 per cent. be

ted from all claims for benefits, and placed to the credit of Generai Fund to defray expenses of the same.

EC. 2. In case of death from sickness or injury received he performance of fire duty $250.00, and $50.00 for funeral enses.

EC. 3. For the widow; in case there is no widow, to the dren; if there is no child or children, to the mother of the eased Fireman, the sum of $250.00, and $50.00 for funeral enses; and in case there be no relatives, to be paid to the asurer of the Company of which he was a member.

EC. 4. The Chief, or Acting Chief, shall certify before agistrate or Notary Public, on blank form, in triplicate, ished by the Secretary, all particulars regarding each case re a benefit is required, accompanied by the certificate of attending physician,

EC. 5. Applications for benefits shall be made to the etary, in compliance with forms to be furnished by him hat purpose, and shall be made within thirty days after iving the injury or contracting the disease complained of: said time for making said application may be extended by Executive Committee for good cause shown.

EC. 6. The action of the Association upon all questions may arise as to granting or referring relief and benefits, as to amount thereof and the person claiming, and as ental thereto, upon all questions relating to the right or s of membership, shall be final and conclusive, and the n of the Executive Committee upon said questions shall e manner and extent be final and conclusive until the be changed by the Association at its annual meeting.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The presiding officer shall preserve order and deco all questions of order shall be decided by him, subject t appeal to the Association.

2. Every member when he speaks shall rise, standin his place, addressing the presiding officer, and shall omit sonalities, and confine himself to the question under de

3. When two or more members shall rise at once, the siding officer shall name the one who shall speak first.

4. A member when called to order shall immediatel down, unless permitted to explain by the chair. If ther no appeal, the decision shall be conclusive.

5. Every delegate shall vote, unless excused by the A ciation, but no delegate shall vote on any question in w he shall have a direct individual or pecuniary interest, an President shall only vote in case of a tie.

6. The ayes and nays shall be taken and entered upon minutes of the Association, if required by three delegates.

7. All business not provided for in these By-Laws sha transacted according to the parliamentary rules that go deliberative bodies. No less than the representatives of Companies shall constitute a quorum.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Call to Order.
2. Presentation of Credentials.
3. Reading the Minutes of the Previous Meeting.
4. Collection of Dues.
5. Report of Officers and Committees.
6. Miscellaneous Business.
7. Volunteer Report of Fire Organizations.
8. Election of Officers.
9. Unfinished Business.
10. Adjournment.

n Act Creating a Relief Fund for Disabled Firemen.

he General Assembly of North Carolina do Enact:

SECTION 1. That the sum of $2,500.00 be, and the same hereby appropriated annually, and shall constitute a Firen's Relief Fund, but in no case shall the said appropriation ceed one-half of the license tax levied and collected by the ate from Insurance Companies.

SEC. 2. That the Treasurer of the State shall pay the ount constituting the Firemen's Relief Fund to the Treser of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association on the rrant of the Auditor of the State.

SEC. 3. That the money so paid in the hands of the Treser of the said North Carolina State Firemen's Association all be known and remain as the Firemen's Relief Fund of orth Carolina, and shall be used as a Fund for the relief of remen, members of the Association, who may be injured or ndered sick by disease contracted in the actual discharge of ty as Firemen, and for relief of widows' children, and if ere be no widow or children, then dependent mothers of such remen killed or dying from disease so contracted in such charge of duty, to be paid in such manner and in such sums such individuals of the classes herein named and described may be provided for and determined upon in accordance h the Constitution and By-Laws of said Association. And ch provisions and determinations made pursuant to said nstitution and By-Laws shall be final and conclusive as to persons entitled to benefits, and as to the amount of benefit to be received, and no action at law shall be maintained ainst said Association to enforce any claim or recover any nefit under this Act, or under the Constitution and By-Laws said Association; but if any officer or Committee of said

Association omit or refuse to perform any duty imposed up him or them, nothing herein contained shall be construed prevent any proceedings against said officer or Committee compel him or them to perform such duty.

SEC. 4. The Treasurer of the North Carolina State Fi men's Association shall give a bond to the State of Nor Carolina, with good and sufficient sureties to the satisfacti of the Treasurer of the State of North Carolina in double the sum received by him, said Treasurer, for the faithful pe formance of his duties under this act, and shall make detail report to the State Treasurer of the yearly expenditure of t appropriation under this act on or before the end of the fisc year.

SEC. 5. The line of duty specified in Section 3 shall n be so construed as to mean any other duty except actual fi duty, which shall consist of service in the fire department fro the time of the fire alarm until the members are dismissed i the company officers at roll call; also any actual fire duty co nected with the fire department when directed to perform th same by the officer in charge.

SEC. 6. That any fireman of good moral character i North Carolina, and belonging to an organized fire company who will comply with the requisitions of the Constitution an By-Laws of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association may become a member of said Association, and any organize fire company in North Carolina, holding itself ready for duty may, upon compliance with the requisitions of said Constitu tion and By-Laws, become a member of said North Carolin State Firemen's Association.

SEC. 7. That the provisions of this act shall apply to any fireman who is a member of a regularly organized fire com pany.

SEC. 8. That this act shall be in force from and after it ratification.

Ratified this the 6th day of March, A. D., 1891.

AMENDMENT.

An act of the last Legislature reads as follows (see page 41, roceedings of 1893):

An act to amend Section 2, Chapter 868, Laws 1891.

he General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That Section 2, Chapter 868, Laws 1891, be nended to read as follows:

SEC. 2. That the Treasurer of the State shall pay the nount constituting the Firemen's Relief Fund on the warrant the Auditor, three-fourths to the Treasurer of the North rolina State Volunteer Firemen's Association, properly artered by law. That the said Treasurer of the North Caro-a State Volunteer Firemen's Association shall give bond, d the said Association shall disburse the funds the same nner and under the same rules as in the North Carolina ate Firemen's Association.

SEC. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ification.

Ratified March 6th, A. D. 1893.

AMENDMENT.

An act to amend Section 2, Chapter 474 of the Laws of 93.

e General Assembly af North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That Section 2, Chapter 474 of Laws 1893, b amended as follows:

That the words three-fourths in line three, of said Section b stricken out and the words one-fourth be inserted in lieu tl reof.

SEC. 2. That this Act be in force from and after its ratific-a n.

Ratified this the 28th day of February, A. D. 1895.

MEMBERSHIP.

LIST OF COMPANIES MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR 1899–1900.

Rescue Hook and Ladder Co.	Asheville	Departme
Hose Co. No. 1	"	"
Charlotte Fire Co. No. 1	Charlotte	"
Charlotte Reel Team	"	"
Eagle Hose Co. No. 4	Salem	"
Rough and Ready Fire Co	"	"
Eagle Hose Co. No. 7	Greensboro	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
Westend Hose Co. No. 5	"	"
Greensboro Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	"	"
Southside Hose Co. No. 4	"	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 2	Winston	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	"	"
Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	Wilmington	"
Hose Co. No. 3	"	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 2	"	"
Hose and Reel Co	Concord	"
Newbern Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	New Bern	"
Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
Wilson Fire Co. No. 3	Wilson	"
Hook and Ladder Co No. 1	Tarboro	"
Rescue Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Raleigh	"
Capital Hose Co	"	"
Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	"	"
Hose Co. No. 1	Durham	"
Hose Co. No. 2	"	"
Chicora Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Fayetteville	"
Fire Co. No. 1	Goldsboro	"
Eclipse Steam Fire Engine Co	"	"
Electric Reel Co	"	"
Caswell Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Kinston	"
Hose Co. No. 1	Salisbury	"
Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	"	"
Nelson Hose Co. No. 1	Henderson	"
Albemarle Fire Co	Elizabeth City	"
Fire Co. No. 1	Spencer	"
Phœnix Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	Washington	"
Ocean Fire Company	"	"
Steam Fire Engine Co.	Monroe	"

OF CHIEFS AND ASSISTANT CHIEFS OF DEPARTMENTS REPRESENTED IN THE ASSOCIATION.

, Jas. P. Sawyer tant, —— ——	Asheville Department.
, W. B. Glenn tant, J. W. Hentz	Charlotte "
, F. C. Meinung tant, W. C. Grunert	Salem "
, J. H. Phipps tant, O. D. Boycott	Greensboro "
, J. W. Hanes tant, H. L. Riggens	Winston "
Chas. Schnibben tant, W. P. Munroe	Wilmington "
A. M. Brown ant, H. G. Ritz	Concord "
A. E. Hibbard ant, —— ——	New Bern "
Doan Herring ant, R. J. Grantham	Wilson "
J. M. Weddle ant, J. T. Vines	Tarboro "
L. A. Mahler ant, W. Woolcott	Raleigh "
Howard Heartt ant, W. H. Lewellen	Durham "
J. D. McNeill ant, C. D. Elliott	Fayetteville "
T. H. Bain ant, F. M. Miller	Goldsboro "
J. D. Taylor ant, —— ——	Kinston "
M. V. B. Capps ant, W. L. Miller	Salisbury "
W. M. Young ant, —— ——	Henderson "
A. K. Kramer ant, Chas. Spiers	Elizabeth City "
W. J. Byerly ant, J. T. Morgan	Spencer "
J. G. Chauncy nt, —— ——	Washington "
Dr. W. J. Welsh nt, Dr. W. B. Houston	Monroe "

s. Fire Alarms—W. A. Cruse, Charlotte; J. T. Yates, Wilmington; W. A. Ward, Asheville.

. Water Works—C. H. Campbell, Charlotte.

vidual Members—Dr. J. W. Griffith, Greensboro; A. E. Lloyd, n.

COMPANY AND DEPARTMENT MEMBERSHIP F
1899–1900.

ASHEVILLE DEPARTMENT.

RESCUE HOOK AND LADDER CO. NO. 1.

J. S. Fullam,
N. H. Turbyfield,
C. C. Paul,
C. L. Badger,
H. R. Smith,
T. M. Rector,
C. M. Penland,
R. E. Clevenger,
C. F. Hare,
G. E. Brown,
E. L. Thornburg,
W. M. Brown.
E. H. Cleven
E. B. Stradle
C. M. McElra
S. P. Burton,
C. H. Miller,

HOSE CO. NO. 1.

H. C. Fagg,
J. T. Bostic,
W. O. Lytle,
J. G. Duckett,
Jack McElrath,
O. M. Coston,
L. W. Jeannerett, Sec.,
J. M. Young,
J. B. Lytle,
J. C. Wallace,
Will. Jackson,
Jake Weaver,
Jessie M. Patton.
Ged Young,
D. Troxler,
F. P. Johnsto
W. A. Allison
J. W. Duckett
W. E. Perrin,

CHARLOTTE DEPARTMENT.

FIRE CO., NO. 1.

J. P. Beatty, Sec'y,
C. M. Jetton,
J. M. Davidson,
R. A. Camp,
T. B. Houston,
E. F. Creswell,
B. J. Swinson,
F. J. Skinner,
Henry Muse,
H. M. Wallace,
C. M. Davidson,
T. Garibaldi,
M. L. Frazier,
R. A. Kennedy,
W. F. Simpson,
Fred. Engle.
W. S. Orr,
M. Davis,
A. E. McGahe
J. J. Sluiman,
Chas. Renz,
Ed. Stone,
Joe. Harkey,

CHARLOTTE REEL TEAM.

W. S. Charles,
J. A. Porter,
W. S. Orr,
Chas. Wells,
Herman Rodiger,
J. B. Hawkins,
Lloyd Pettus,
E. L. Coghill,
J. D. McCall.

SALEM DEPARTMENT.

EAGLE HOSE CO., NO. 4.

. Farley,
us A. Shore, Sec'y,
). Adams,
ille Pfaff,
E. Tesh,
D. Gray,
L. A. Wood,
F. W. Hege,
J. D. Hege,
J. S. Harp,
W. T. Hammons,
Wesley Jarvis,
Eug. Whicker,
D. L. Ferrington,
Frank Lewis,
John Pfaff,
Jas. A. Brewer.
W. D. Smothers.

ROUGH AND READY FIRE CO.

R. Brewer,
ford Brown,
sley Everhart,
r'l Faircloth,
ter Hege,
H. Hudson,
Valter Jarvis,
Francis Kimbel,
Robt. Spaugh,
Chas. Davis,
J. W. T. Schott, Sec.
S. F. Morton,
Jas. Petree,
A. J. Peddycord.
W. S. Pfohl,
William Petree,
S. G. Rogers,
Chas. Stewart,
F. H. Vogler,
C. H. Kessler,

GREENSBORO DEPARTMENT.

EAGLE HOSE CO. NO. 7.

. Taylor,
L. Thacker,
L. Cranford,
. Whittington,
A. Watson,
J. G. Fowler,
C. M. Vanstory,
L. A. Wyrick,
Harry Pozolt, Sec.
H. J. Elam,
Jas. McClamroch,
E. L. Clark,
Geo. Beall,
J. J. Nelson,
W. E. Gatlin.

STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO. NO. 1.

Abbott,
Lewis,
Sergeant,
les Corl,
. Cox,
G. R. Christman,
J. W. Cates,
W. J. Mulligan,
C. M. Thomas,
R. Y. Skeener.
W. J. Blair,
L. A. Andrews.
W. W. Bain,
H. G. Lewis,

HOOK AND LADDER CO,, NO. 1.

B. A. Boon,
R. B. Beall,
C. C. Cunningham,
W. C. Porter, Jr.,
Harry S. Donnell,
Herman Buchanan,
Lee V. Butner,
J. T. Cox,
R. G. Stockton,
Arthur O'Conner,
C. G. Burton,
Lee G. Wharton, Sec'y,
Watt Duncan,
F. E. Smith,
O. S. Ball,
Lacy Sellars,
Robt H. Wharf
E. E. Bain,
Jos. J. Stone,
Geo. B. Brooks
Frank Eldridge,

SOUTHSIDE HOSE CO., NO. 7.

J. A. Clifton,
H. L. Reynolds,
F. Keith,
W. L. Guthrie, Sec'y,
J. S. Barnes,
W. R. Elliott,
R. D. Douglas,
C. E. Brower,
V. E. Kirkman,
H. R. Fentress,
Chas. Mendenhall,
Geo. W. Pritchett,
W. E. Phipps;
W. A. Jeffreys,
H. B. Donnell,
G. C. Smith,
Will. McAdoo,
Jack Love,
Ed. Mendenhall,
T. A. Glasscock.
Geo. Kirkman,
Jule Fentress,
Eug. Stack,
E. Glenn,
L. L. Glasscock
Will. Donnell,
Chas. Donnell,
Chas. Hiatt,
J. A. Walker,

WEST END HOSE CO., NO. 5.

F. C. Boyles,
R. L. Hollowell,
J. H. Prince.
J. W. Malcom,
J. M. Carr, Sec'y,
C. W. Hoecker,
J. G. Moore,

WINSTON DEPARTMENT.

STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO. NO. 2.

J. B. McCreary,
Frank White,
N. D. Sheets,
H. L. Eord,
J. A. L. Miller, Sec'y,
J. J. Adams,
Dr. J. W. Petty,
Jno. H. Holmes,
W. B. Little,
R. M. Tuttle,
F. A. Hines.
A. A. Dean,
H. Citrenbaum,
J. J. Cofer,
Jno. A. Gilliam,
J. M. Peden,

STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO. NO. 1.

J. Gales,	J. W. Stout,	G. H, Myers,
V. Alred,	L. L. Lock,	R. L. Rogers,
. Crutchfield,	J. R. Hasten,	R. C. Rights,
A. Johnson,	R.S.Westmoreland, Sec,	Lewis Thomas,
C. Martin,	Geo. H. Allen,	Chas. Lambeth,
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PROGRAMME.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1.

10 O'CLOCK, A. M.

Meeting called to order by President James D. McNeill.
Prayer by Rev. Charles E. Hodgin.
Address of Welcome by Mayor Zeb. V. Taylor.
Response.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2.

9.00 A. M.—Street Parade.
1.00 P. M.—Steamer Contest, "start to finish."

THURSDAY, AUGUST 3.

9.00 A. M.—Hand Reel Race.
10.00 A. M.—Grab Reel Race.
11.00 A. M.—Championship Reel Race.
2.00 P. M.—Horse Hook and Ladder Race.
3.30 P. M.—Junior Hand Reel Race.
4.30 P. M.—Hand Hook and Ladder Race.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4.

9.00 A. M.—Horse Hose Wagon Race.
11.00 A. M.—Individual Foot Race.
12.00 M.—Quick Steaming Stand Still.

LIST OF PRIZES.

ENGINE CONTEST.

ick Steaming, start to finish	First Prize,	$ 50.00
ick Steaming, start to finish	Second Prize,	25.00
ng Distance	First Prize,	25.00
ng Distance	Second Prize,	15 00

HORSE HOSE WAGON RACE.

st Prize	125.00
ond Prize	75.00

HAND HOSE REEL CONTEST.

t Prize	125.00
ond Prize	75.00

GRAB RACE.

t Prize	100.00
nd Prize	60.00

HORSE HOOK AND LADDER RACE.

Prize	125.00
nd Prize	75.00

HAND HOOK AND LADDER RACE.

Prize	25.00
nd Prize	Special

JUNIOR HAND REEL RACE.

Prize	25.00
nd Prize	10.00

INDIVIDUAL FOOT RACE.

Prize	10.00
nd Prize	5.00

QUICK STEAMING STAND STILL.

Prize — Flexible Aluminum Clay Pipe, donated by Fabric Fire Hose Co., of New York.

d Prize—Officer's Lantern, donated by Gleason-Bailey Manufacturing Co., New York.

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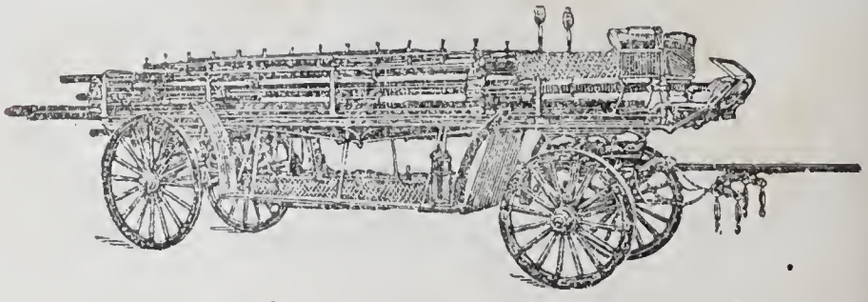

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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

TWELFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION AND TOURNAMENT

OF THE

th Carolina State Firemen's Association,

HELD AT

WILMINGTON, N. C.,

esday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday,

July 10, 11, 12, and 13, 1900.

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PROCEEDINGS.

The Twelfth Annual Convention of the North Carolina ate Firemen's Association was convened at Wilmington, C., on Tuesday, July 10th, 1900, at 12 o'clock.

President McNeill:

ntlemen of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association :

t is my duty, and especially as your chief executive official, to call s Association to order in this, its twelfth annual Convention. I uld ask the Convention to rise while the Rev. A. D. McClure okes the blessing of God upon our assembly.

Rev. A. D. McClure:

h. Lord, God Almighty, our Father who art in Heaven, we seek y face and Thy favor in the name of Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our d through the Holy Ghost. We would wait on Thee and worship ee; we would enter no way, speak no word, attempt no work, with- Thy warrant, welcome and wisdom. We supplicate Thy bles- g on this Convention and this company. We thank Thee for fire friend, and for friends to fight fire as a foe. We pray Thy pro- ion and provision for firemen everywhere and especially for Thy ediction on this Convention, and Thy blessing on the meeting, tests, and associations of this tournament-time. Make us know dependence on Thee, our need of Thy power and the true joy of g everything for Thy glory in serving our fellow men. Give us ore solemn sense of obligation to protect the person and prop- of others, and grant that all others may rightly estimate the ices of our firemen, and justly esteem them for their work's e. Forgive the past, consecrate the present, and order the future, Christ's sake. Amen.

resident McNeill:

lemen of the Convention:

ave the pleasure and the honor to introduce to you Col. A. M. dell, who is well-known throughout North Carolina, and who, ayor of this lovely and hospitable City, will deliver the address elcome.

Col. A. M. Waddell:

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the North Carolina State Firemen Association:

No more pleasing duty has ever been imposed upon me, as may of this city, than that which comes to me to-day in extending, behalf of our people, to you and your visiting brethren from oth States, a sincere and cordial welcome, and in expressing on the behalf the earnest hope that you may find your stay in our midst, every respect, agreeable. I beg to assure you that the selection Wilmington as the place for the annual meeting and tournament the State Firemen's Association was regarded as an honor, and t event has been anticipated with great interest and pleasure by th entire community.

We open our hearts and homes to you, and are eager to see y have a good time and thoroughly enjoy every moment of your sojou among us. There is no department of municipal government, (a I might say no part of the machinery of modern civilization), which greater advance has been made or greater efficiency h been acquired than in that to which you have devoted yourselve It is at once a field of active beneficence and of heroic achievemen It has destroyed the terror which for centuries was excited by toll of "the fire-bell at midnight" in every city in the world, a the annals of war furnished no more splendid illustrations of hum valor and self-sacrifice than may be found freely scattered throug out its records.

It is, therefore, only a just recognition of merit when an assem lage of the gallant firemen of the country is greeted with applau and welcomed with honors to the hospitalities of a community, you are here to-day.

There is no body of men in this commonwealth whose services the respective communities in which they live are more highly prize and none the sudden disbandment of which would cause such gene apprehension and alarm as the firemen of the State. I trust th this meeting of your Association will be harmonious and producti of great benefit to yourselves and to the service in which you a engaged, and I am sure that the practical illustration of skill a efficiency which the friendly rivalry between the visiting compan will furnish will be a source of pride to them, as it certainly will b source of pleasure and satisfaction to the thousands who will witne it here.

And now again, gentlemen, I bid you a cordial welcome to t hospitalities of this city, whose people will be glad to contribute every way in their power to make your visit here as pleasant to y as it is to themselves.

President McNeill:

have the pleasure, Col. Waddell, to introduce to you and the peo-
, His Honor, Mayor W. S. Cook, of the City of Fayetteville, who
l respond to you in behalf of the firemen of Fayetteville, and
er firemen throughout the State.

Mayor W. S. Cook:

*. President, and Gentlemen of the North Carolina State Firemen's
Association:*

had the pleasure of attending the last Convention of this Associ-
on, and I can recall very vividly to my mind, even now, when the
ision had been made that the next tournament would be held in
ir city, there was a brightening of countenances in anticipation
he royal treatment that would be met with in the chief city of
State—a city, sir, noted for its hospitality, a city noted for its
gressive industries, a city noted for its beauty, and above all for
fair women.

s we are here, Mr. Mayor, and we have come to enjoy your hos-
ality, we needed not your generous words of greeting, so eloquently
ressed, to prove that we were welcome, doubly welcome, to this
utiful, enterprising city. And, sir, in behalf of the people and
visitors, I desire to thank the firemen of the State for the honor
t they have repeatedly conferred upon our worthy citizen, your
sident. (Great applause).

Ir. Mayor, we accept your hearty welcome, which shall be our best
highest enjoyment, and when we leave here we shall leave with
asant recollections, and your cordial welcome will ever remain as
ight and green spot in our memories to remind us of our visit. I
nk you, sir, again and again, in behalf of every visitor now in
limits of your city, for your cordial words of greeting.

President McNeill:

r. Mayor, in order that we may further express to you our appre-
ion of your hospitality, I desire to introduce one of New Berne's
men, who will respond to you the appreciation of Eastern North
olina. I have the honor to introduce to you Mr. D. L. Ward,
New Berne.

D. L. Ward:

is my pleasing privilege to-day, Mr. President, in behalf of the
department, of the City of New Berne, to respond to the eloquent
ds in which Wilmington's distinguished Mayor has thrown wide
gates of this beautiful city. On their behalf we accept this kind
tation so courteously extended. We have looked forward to this

visit with mingled feelings of pleasure and pride; with feelings pleasure because through childhood's earliest hour we have heard the hearty, generous hospitality of this brave people of the histo City of Wilmington; and we have looked forward to it, sir, w pride, because if we were to strike from the history of North Ca lina the history of Wilmington you would strike from it its m illustrous page. * * * Did not Hugh Waddell and Ca John Ashe take the stamp-master and march him to the old co house here and compel him to forever swear that he would have more to do with the odious stamp act, and, sir, in 1898, when fa and hope could scarce penetrate the gloom to the sun that was sh ing beyond his worthy descendant, Col. A. M. Waddell, (Gr applause), when he declared that the channel of the Cape Fear sho be blocked with the black African ere the coast of North Caroli should be committed to the hands of the slaves. (Applause).

I tell you to-day, my friends, he is worthy of any honor the pa otic people of North Carolina may bestow upon him. In that gr crisis of 1898 the heroism and courage with which the people of t historic city met the duty of the hour has wreathed a new halo glory around your city that had already been immortalized by h toric deeds; and I may not forget to mention, sir, in this connecti that among those brave men who led this Revolution here was t old Confederate veteran who had carried the sword at Gettysb through fire and steel. It is an honor for me to be among the ill trious citizens of this historic City of Wilmington.

I may speak briefly of the gallant boys who are gathered h to-day, representing the fire departments of the great State of No Carolina. And, sir, if I should speak too kindly of our boys fr New Berne you will pardon me, for in New Berne we take gr pride in our firemen. But there are the fire companies of our Sta and if we go back from here, after entering the contests with t gallant boys of North Carolina, with the victory, we shall belie that in skill, in experience and in devotion to duty they are the pe of any fire boys in North Carolina. And I tell you, sir, that if th go back without that belt, having yielded it to the gallant boys Cumberland, or Greensboro, or Winston, or Asheville, or elsewhe we shall return to our city believing that we have had one of the m delightful weeks of our lives in this beautiful city in touch with t comradeship of the boys who are here from the great State of No Carolina. And, sir, if you will pardon me, I will say that we who l in the City of New Berne, where the waters of the Trent mingle w the mighty Neuse as they sweep in majesty to the sea, in the p six years have learned to think that human blood never warm a more loyal heart than that which beats in the bosom of our galla President of the North Caralina State Firemen's Association. (Gr

lause.) And, sir, under your leadership, and under the leadership ur careful, accurate, and painstaking Treasurer, the State Fire- n's Association is becoming the great pride of North Carolina, and vill live in history as one of the best organizations and best ded fire associations in the South.

am conscious of the fact, sir, that I should not trespass too long n your kindness. You have business, and I thank you again in interest of our boys from New Berne that you have so cordially ored us with a response to the eloquent words of greeting of r Mayor. I thank you, again and again.

President McNeill:

r. Mayor, in order to make our appreciation more complete, I ed the Queen City of Charlotte's representative would be here, unfortunately, has been detained by the railroad. I would ask representative of the City of Asheville, however, to express to citizens of Wilmington, through their Mayor, their appreciation he Western firemen of the treatment that we have received and going to received here—the City of Asheville—Captain Fullum.

Captain Fullum:

would be afraid to say anything for fear that I might spoil what already been said. But I say to you I am proud to be here, and k the Mayor of Wilmington for his invitation. We have come g ways to get here. Last year at Greensboro, when your chief d me to vote for this town, I told him I could not do it. He d the reason for it. I said, "On account of the distance." But, ever, we have come, and I can say that I am proud to be here. plause.)

President McNeill:

e Convention will now proceed to its regular order of business. uld ask Mr. W. C. VonGlahn, of the City of Wilmington, to t at the Secretary's desk; and I would state to the Convention our regular Secretary, Dr. Griffith, has been detained on account siness, or some other cause, and will not be present. It is very ssary that we should have a temporary Secretary. Messrs. F. Miller, of Goldsboro, and W. C. VonGlahn, of Wilmington, will proceed to the Secretary's desk.

e Chair would like to state that everybody is welcomed to the edings of this Convention, ladies, citizens, and all, to partici- in our proceedings. I would ask if there are any Mayors pres- n the city that I have not known. In order to add to the inter- f the meeting Col. Waddell and myself invited every Mayor of h Carolina to attend our meeting this time, and I hope that as

many as possible will respond and those that are here will ma themselves known.

President McNeill:

The Convention will pay attention to the roll call by the Secreta of the Companies, so as to see what departments are represented the Convention. Delegates will please answer as their names called.

Secretary called roll of the Companies, and the followi were present:

Albemarle Fire Company—Elizabeth City, T. A. Commander a J. P. West.

Salisbury Fire Department Hose Company—W. B. Howard and W. Julian.

Salisbury Hook and Ladder Company—Salisbury No. 1, J. Glover and C. H. Swink.

Electric Reel Company, (Goldsboro)—D. L. Jones and H. Daughtey.

Eclipse Steam Fire Company, (Goldsboro)—Doc Chamberlain a Max Cohen.

Goldsboro Fire Company No. 1—W. O. Gattis and R. K. Freem

Hose Company No. 1, Durham—L. L. Chamberlain and J. Hicks.

Hose Company No. 2, Durham—J. J. Candle and J. W. Walker.

Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, Raleigh—W. W. Parish and K. Mabrey.

Rocky Mount Steam Fire Engine Company No. 1—G. G. Levy, J. Hines, Jr.

Greensboro (South Side Hose Company)—J. H. Phipps and Keith.

S. R. Spencer Hose Company—R. L. Workman and J. H. Har

Chicora Steam Fire Company, (Fayetteville)—R. H. McDuffy a A. R. Williams.

Wilmington Fire Engine No 1.—B. R. Russell and John Mohr.

Wilson Hose Company No. 3.—W. B. Moore and T. J. Hadley.

Winston Steamer Company No. 1—A. J. Gales and R. E. Right

Greensboro Fire Company No. 1.—John Lewis and Dave Sarge

Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Company No. 1, (New Bern)—W. Barrington and J. L. Hartsfield.

Ocean Fire Company No. 2, (Washington, N. C.)—John B. Spar and E. T. Stewart.

Phoenix Hook and Ladder Company No. 1, (Washington)—B. Moss and H. B. Mayo.

escue Fire Company No. 1, (Raleigh)—W. S. Maye and S. P. nington.

arboro Hook and Ladder Company No. 1—J. A. Cohen and H. T. .

ngine Company No. 2, (Wilmington)—T. B. Jackson and W. H. ady.

ilmington Hook and Ladder Company No. 1—R. M. Cain and J. namaker.

inston Hook and Ladder Company No. 1—W. L. Lindsey and T. Iiller.

inston Steamer No. 2—J. B. McCreary and Dr. J. W. Petty. rnates, J. A. F. Miller and F. T. White.

iemical Engine Company No. 1, (Wilmington)—P. N. Fick and ik Green.

wbern Steam Fire Company No. 1—T. C. Daniels and L. J. .or. Alternates, G. B. Cox and O. A. Kafer.

gle Hose Company No. 7, (Greensboro)—Harry Poezolt and es McClamroch.

gle Hose Company No. 4, (Salem)—J. T. Farley and Eugene cker.

ugh and Ready Fire Company, (Salem)—Gaston Madison and uel Faircloth.

heville Hose Company No. 1—J. M. Patton and H. C. Fagg.

scue Hook and Ladder Company, (Asheville)—J. S. Fullam.

lson Hose Company, (Henderson)—O. S. Fulkner and J. F. Rean.

se Company No. 3, (Wilmington)—L. Friemuth and B. F. nn.

nston Steamer Company No. 2.

neer Reel Company No. 2—R. K. Blair and B. J. Swinson. nate, M. Davis.

arlotte Paid Fire Department—W. B. Glenn, Chief. Delegates, aston, J. M. Davidson.

arlotte Reel Team No. 1—C. M. Davidson and W. S. Charles. nate, W. S. Orr.

esident :

here are any companies who have delegates present who have d the Association since the last meeting, they will now please them added to the roll.

legate from Wilmington responded :

l Chemical No. 1, Wilmington.

legate from Rocky Mount :

l Rocky Mount Steam Fire Engine Company, No. 1.

List of absentees read by the Secretary, which show the attendance good.

President:

Gentlemen, you see from this that it is the best representat from the State we have ever had, and I want from this time to c gratulate the departments of Rocky Mount, Elizabeth City, Washington, especially, for their attendance at this meeting, ar want to personally thank you for the interest they are taking in meeting.

Next in order is presentation of Credentials. I would like, th fore, for every department to prepare their list, the names of the egates that represent the different companies, to be handed in as list is called.

The following Committee on Credentials was appoint

E. T. Stewart, of Washington.
A. C. Stokes, Elizabeth City.
C. C. Cooper, Rocky Mount.
W. D. Barrington, New Berne.

President:

In calling the roll of the membership of the Association, I for to remind the Secretary (and he forgot to do it) to call the name Chiefs, Assistant Chiefs, Superintendents of Fire Alarms, Superintendents of Water Works, and the individual members These men are all members of the Association and are entitlec vote. Secretary VonGlahn will therefore call the names of Chi Assistant Chiefs, Superintendents of Water Works, Superintende of Fire Alarms and individual members.

Secretary called the roll.

President:

While the Committee on Credentials has gone out to report, next regular order of business will be the reading of the minute the previous meeting.

Secretary read minutes of previous meeting.

President:

It has been moved and secended that the minutes of the Greensl Convention be adopted. Motion carried.

resident :

ıe departments will please pay attention while the Secretary rts under the head "Collections of Dues." The Chair regrets much to report that the regular Secretary of the Convention, se duty it is to be here, and who is necessarily conversant with standing of the different companies, is absent and will not be . It is therefore almost impossible, until the delegates of the rent companies report, to tell how they stand. If, however, any ou have any doubt as to your standing, I refer you to the Secre- where you can have your standing compared with the books and vhether you are correctly represented.

resident :

ıe next regular business would be Reports of Officers and Com- ees. What is the wish of the Convention about continuing the on or adjournment ?

otion made to adjourn until 3 o'clock ; seconded ; car- .

AFTERNOON SESSION.

he Association was called to order by the President at clock p. m., and proceeded to business.

resident :

fore taking up the report of the Committee on Credentials I d ask Captain Mannings to come forward. Gentlemen, I intro- to you Captain Mannings, Chief Marshal in to-morrow's parade, ıe asks us to give him a list of the Companies that will appear in arade. We have mapped out the line of march and want to what Companies are going to participate and about what will the parade.

oved and seconded that the matter of arrangement for de be left entirely with President McNeill and Chief shal Manning. Carried.

eport of Committee on Credentials read by Secretary.

oved that the report be received ; seconded ; carried.

esident asked for the names of any Chiefs, Assistant f, Superintendents of Fire Alarms, Superintendents ater Works that had arrived since the first session.

ext order, Collection of Dues. Cannot be gotten at.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

President read his report:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

To the Officers and Members of the North Carolina State Firem Association:

COMRADES AND GENTLEMEN:—It is my pleasant duty as Presi of your State organization to render you herewith my annual re of all transactions, financial and otherwise, that have occurred s our last annual meeting at Greensboro, in August, 1899.

It is with pride that I report to you a continual and increased in est in the membership of our Association, as is quite plainly denced by the enthusiastic attendance upon this, our twelfth an meeting.

At our first meeting, in 1888, our representation was a mere h ful, and our tournament at that time, in comparison with the now before us, would appear ludicrous. Every year since then marked an improvement, until now our member-hip practicall cludes every department in the State, and, as new departments being formed, taking their inspiration from us, they at once bec active, interested, and desirable members.

We are to be congratulated, my friends, upon being the guest this time of the noble and generous citizenship of this lovely hospitable City by the Sea. Our association, with a people of intelligence, culture, push and energy, cannot but redound to advantage and make us more fully appreciate our visit to them to the sentiment that inspires such hospitality to our profess May we, my comrades, while enjoying our visit, so impress t with our manhood and general deportment that they will feel while honoring us they have also honored themselves in entertai our honored organization. We have met here, however, my frie for something higher and nobler than merely to gratify our pers pleasure. We are here to compare notes, to exchange views, to our experiences and discuss subjects of importance to our profes and to the good of the general public. We are here to learn ho more successfully serve the interests of our people in protecting t lives and property from the most destructive of elements. This day of progress and advancement, and as marked as the impr ment has been since our Association was organized, still the much more to learn before we can hope to reach perfection in profession. It is our duty, therefore, my friends, to recall e obstacle that we may have met with during the past year, an

ng our own and by getting the experience of others, to be able uard against the same trouble should it again arise. Notwithding the many advantages we now have over a few years ago, in dling fires, still the annual loss in life and property is appalling, calls from us our closest attention to take advantage of everyg that will enable us to successfully reduce our fire losses. That State has not been called upon during the past year to record any ous loss of life or property is a matt r of much congratulation, I feel that we have the right to claim it as the result of the nized efforts of our membership.

uring the past year I have audited, approved, and ordered paid -four claims against our relief fund, amounting to $1,970. The surer's report will show to you to whom and how much was paid claimant. I have been compelled to disapprove a few claims on unt of the facts not justifying payment, and I hope if any memeels that he has not been treated fairly and equitably that he have this body review my action and correct any wrong I may bly have unintentionally done.

preciating the most cordial invitation extended to us by our s through their honored mayor to meet with them this year, and ing to do all I could to make this a record-breaking year for ctions and attendance, I suggested and recommended to the executive committee the advisability of adding an inter-State re to our annual programme, in order that we might renew our dly association with our brethren from adjoining States. The t is that we have with us quite a number of the best fellows on to join with us in our festivities and I ask of you, my comrades, rdially endorse my action in this matter, and to extend to our ng brethren the right hand of fellowship and make them glad are with us. At the same time, my friends, I have kept our event a separate and distinct affair, in order that no precedent be made dating from this occasion, so that other cities and s who may hereafter entertain our Association might be free to such matters as they see proper. The inter-State feature is, fore, one for which we have the generous people of Wilmington ially to thank, and which is altogether an extra effort on their o give us pleasure.

An additional feature to add to the interest and usefulness of eeting His Honor, Mayor Waddell, joined me in an especial in on to every mayor and chairman of fire committee in the State et with us and to take part in our deliberations. We hope they be with us and help us to advance our organized existence in various departments.

n pleased to report your financial condition in good shape, with ance of $1,724.19 to the credit of your relief fund and with

$245.06 to the credit of the general fund. Every claim against Association has been carefully audited before payment was ma and the business affairs of the organization have been conducted a clean and business-like manner.

I refer you to the detailed reports of your Secretary and y Treasurer for particulars.

I desire also in this report to especially commend the very hea co-operation and support that have been given to this, our twe annual meeting, by the local executive committee of the Cit Wilmington. Let me especially thank Chief Schnibben, Captain C. VonGlahn, M. Rathjen, Colonel Walker Taylor, Captain J. Morrison, and Colonel W. J. Woodard for their individual courte extended to me as your President and for their efforts to secure sa factory rates and accommodations for our membership.

In conclusion, my friends, I consider it a very high honor to side over a body of men whose personnel and whose life work is noble and beneficent.

For the honors you have in the past conferred upon me you h my grateful appreciation. My aim has ever been to advance y organized existence and to deal fairly, justly and equitably every interest confided to my care. If I have failed in any impor particular the error was one of judgment and not of the heart.

I feel it my duty to remind you that I have served you as Presi for six consecutive years and that I must not be considered as a manent fixture. It is a duty that you all individually owe to Association to examine into every detail and to always be prepa to meet conditions as they arise. To select my successor is one your most important duties, and I desire to assure you that I always ready to turn over to him a position that can reflect noth but honor to the man who may be so honored.

Let me congratulate you upon the attendance and success for largest and most pleasant meeting and tournament in our hist and counselling the utmost harmony and good feeling in all deliberations and contests.

With the best wishes for our continued advancement, yours,

J. D. McNeill,

Pres. N. C. S. F. Associatio

Report unanimously adopted. (Great applause.)

Acting Secretary VonGlahn read Secretary Griffit report.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

he Officers and Members of the North Carolina State Firemen's ssociation:

ENTLEMEN—The membership of the Association at this time vs an enrollment of 38 Companies with an individual mem-hip of 629. There are 18 Chiefs who have paid their dues and who has paid no dues for the past two years. This same party reported at last meeting as in arrears, but a member vouched for payment of it and credit was given for the amount. The pay-t not having been made I feel it my duty to call attention to e.

urteen Assistant Chiefs have paid dues to date and five have nothing for this year.

ve Superintendents of Water Works enrolled and paid dues under n of the Association at its last meeting, allowing same to ne members, as follows: Henderson, Charlotte, Goldsboro, Wilm-on, and Winston.

e receipts to date for the General Fund is $366.00. Warrants been issued on this Fund to the amount of $596.48, as follows:

ant No. 1	—M. V. B. Capps, back salary and expenses allowed for year 1897-'98	$31.50
" 2	—Jas. D. McNeill, Pres., expense account	17.95
" 3	—J. W. Griffith, Sec., expense to Goldsboro meeting	10.50
" 4	—L. J. Taylor, Statistician, expenses to Greensboro meeting	16.98
" 5	—Jas. D. McNeill, Pres., postage for office	5.00
" 6	—J. W. Griffith, Sec., postage for office	5.00
" 7	—Miss Nannie Combs, stenographic report of Greensboro meeting	10.00
" 8	—T. A. Green, Treas., expense to Greensboro meeting	10.50
" 9	—T. A. Green, Treas., postage	5.00
" 10	—J. W. Griffith, Sec., postage	5.00
" 11	—Henry A. Hill, Sec. dues to International Association for 1898-'99	10.00
" 12	—J. W. Griffith, Sec., postage	16.00
" 13	—Jas. D. McNeill, Pres., first quarter salary	37.50
" 14	—J. W. Griffith, Sec., " "	25.00
" 15	—Jas. D. McNeill, Pres., postage	5.00
" 16	—J. W. Griffith, Sec., postage	5.00
" 17	—Reece & Elam, on printing bill	75.00
" 18	—Jas. D. McNeill, pres., salary second quarter	37.50
" 19	—J. W. Griffith, Sec., " "	25.00

Warrant No 20	J. W. Griffith, Sec., postage	$ 5.
" 21	Jas. D. McNeill, Pres., traveling expenses	22.
" 22	J. W. Griffith, Sec,, third quarter salary	25.
" 23	Jas. D. McNeill, Pres., " "	37.
" 24	J. W. Griffith, Sec., postage	5.
" 26	Jas. D. McNeill, postage	5.
" 27	Jas. D. McNeill, Pres., traveling expenses	24
" 28	" " " "	43
" 30	J. W. Griffith, Sec., postage	5
" 31	J. D. McNeill, fourth quarter salary	37
" 32	J. W. Griffith, " "	25
" 33	Reece & Elam, balance on printing	48
" 34	Miss Nannie Combs, stenographer	23
" 35	W. P. Monroe, Statistician	26
" 36	T. A. Green, expenses to Wilmington	7
" 37	J. D. McNeill, " "	16
" 38	J. D. McNeill, " " for Convention	22
		$734

On the Relief Fund the following have been issued, viz:

Warrant No. 1	Dwight Styron New Berne	12 days	$ 24
" 2	W. S. Orr, Charlotte	13 "	25
" 3	Jas. Wenberg, Wilmington	6 "	12
" 4	E. R. Brower, Salem	4 "	8
" 5	J. I. Bland, Wilmington	16 "	32
" 6	W. C. Porter, Jr., Greensboro	30 "	60
" 7	H. L. McCall, Goldsboro	16 "	32
" 8	Jas. D. McNeill, Fayetteville	20 "	40
" 9	W. G. Jeffrey, Greensboro	20 "	40
" 10	J. W. Bizzell, Goldsboro	15 "	30
" 11	Chas. F. Hare, Asheville	10 "	20
" 12	E. E. Matthews, New Berne	20 "	40
" 13	J. J. Gaskill, New Berne	20 "	40
" 14	T. C. Daniels, New Berne	20 "	40
" 15	Lee V. Butner, Greensboro	30 "	60
" 16	A. A. Deans, Winston	30 "	60
" 17	W. C. Porter, Jr., Greensboro	30 "	60
" 18	John Mohr, Wilmington	11 "	2
" 19	A. A. Deans, Winston, partial	20 "	20
" 20	E. F. Nadal, Wilson, partial	9 "	
" 21	John Durr, Goldsboro, partial	14 "	1
" 22	W. C. Porter, Jr., Greensboro	30 "	6
" 23	W. D. Tolbert, Spencer	11 "	2
" 24	L. F. Pearsall, Goldsboro, part	6 "	

rrant No	25—John T. Yates, Wilmington..... 7	"	....	$ 14.00
"	26—Jas. Nelson, New Berne, partial..15	"	....	15.00
"	27—W. C. Porter, Jr., Greensboro . .30	"	....	60.00
"	28—Hugh Wood, New Berne, partial..12	"	....	12.00
"	29—Walter M. Brown, Asheville.....10	"	....	20.00
"	30—W. C. Porter, Jr., Greensboro....30	"	...	60.00
"	31—Edgar Jones, New Berne..... 9	"	....	18.00
"	32—Chas. Reid, Elizabeth City, part..13	"	....	13.00
"	33—W. H. McKee, Raleigh..... 6	"	....	12.00
"	34—Chas. Schnibbens, Wilmington..12	"	....	24.00
"	35—Ludwig Freinuth..... 6	"	....	12.00
"	36— " " partial..... 8	"	....	8.00
"	37—W. C. Porter, Jr., Greensboro...30	"	....	60.00
"	38—Henry D. Bunch, Raleigh.....47	"	....	94.00
"	39—Jas. L. White, Wilmington..... 4	"	....	8.00
"	40—W. C. Porter, Jr., Greensboro....30	"	....	60.00
"	41—D. G. Latham, Washington, part.. 8	"	....	8.00
"	42—E. H. Clevinger, Asheville.....26	"	....	52.00
"	43—M. M. Wallace, Charlotte..... 8	"	....	16.00
"	44—Chas. T. Davis, Salem.....28	"	....	56.00
"	45—J. C. Scales, New Berne, partial..14	"	....	14.00
"	46—W. P. Monroe, Wilmington..... 5	"	....	10.00
"	47—Wm. Lorimer, New Berne..... 5	"	....	10.00
"	48—Henry D. Bunch, Raleigh, part..20	"	....	20.00
"	49—E. H. Clevinger, Asheville.....36	"	....	72.00
"	50—W. T. Harper, Wilmington..... 7	"	....	14.00
"	51—W. A. Mabry, Durham.....20	"	....	40.00
"	52—W. D. Turner, Durham, partial..17	"	....	17.00
"	53—Paul McCabe, Tarboro, partial..20	"	....	20.00
				$1,611.00

his completes my seventh report as your Secretary. I have tried rve you faithfully, at all times, sacrificing my own business to for the interest and advancement of the cause of the Association. n we look back a few years to the meeting held in Charlotte, compare the Association of that time with this, we feel proud e advancement and the good work we put in.

eel I have fulfilled my mission, and think the time has come some one else should be willing to step into the harness, and t in drawing the load. I served it in its infancy, and have stood till now it is full grown and with proper attention is able to for itself, being the largest organization in the State. Dissention t times arisen in our ranks, but I hope, in the future, those who "kicked" so hard will put their shoulder to the wheel, and all together.

I hope great care will be exercised in making the selection of you next Secretary. Remember, men suitable for such a position mus born, not cultivated to it. I hope your selection will be a ma who will not let the interest of the Association lag on his hands, bu instead will keep moving forward.

I wish to thank each and every one and especially the differen officers with whom I have been associated during my service of seve years as your Secretary, for the many courtesies shown me, and abov all, the honors bestowed on me.

I feel the work I put in securing the passage of an act creating th "Relief Fund," and many other things, is appreciated, and I fe glad that I was allowed to assist to such a degree, my brother fir men of North Carolina.

To the officers for the past year I make my bow and thank you f the help you have rendered me. I shall always feel proud that I wa associated with such noble specimens of mankind.

Again thanking the Association for the honors conferred on me step down and out.

J. W. GRIFFITH.

Moved, seconded and carried that Secretary's report b referred to Finance Committee.

Treasurer Green read his report.

GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT.

REPORT OF T. A. GREEN, TREASURER NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JULY 10TH, 1900.

To balance on hand August 1st, 1899	$ 188.
To cash received of Dr. J. W. Griffith	123.
To cash received of Relief Fund	18.
On account dues collected past year	372.
To cash received from members, being for 10% deducted off vouchers	163.
Total receipts	$ 866.
By cash paid 34 vouchers amounting to	734.
To balance on hand at this meeting	$ 131

RELIEF FUND.

PORT OF T. A. GREEN, TREASURER NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JULY 10TH, 1900.

1899		
ly 31,	To balance on hand.....	$ 1719.19
t. 29,	To cash received of W. H. Worth.....	1875.00
	Total receipts.....	$ 3594.19

cash paid	Asheville Firemen.....	4	Vouchers	$ 164.00
" "	Charlotte Firemen.....	2	"	42.00
" "	Durham Firemen.....	2	"	57.00
" "	Elizabeth City Firemen.....	1	Voucher	13.00
" "	Fayetteville Firemen.....	1	"	40.00
" "	Greensboro Firemen.....	9	Vouchers	520.00
" "	Goldsboro Firemen.....	4	"	82.00
" "	Newberne Firemen	9	"	213.00
" "	Raleigh Firemen.....	3	"	126.00
" "	Salem Firemen.....	2	"	60.00
" "	Salisbury Firemen.....	1	Voucher	22.00
" "	Tarboro Firemen	1	"	20.00
" "	Washington Firemen.....	1	"	16.00
" "	Wilson Firemen.....	1	"	9.00
" "	" "	1	"	14.00
" "	Winston Firemen	2	Vouchers	80.00
" "	Wilmington Firemen.....	10	"	156.00
" "	Treasurer's Salary.....			150.00
" "	Reece & Elam.....			123.00
				$ 1907.45

ance on hand ...$ 1686.74.

Moved, seconded and carried that the report of Treasurer een be referred to Finance Committee.

tatistician's report read.

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT.

NEW BERN, N. C., 1900.

he President, Officers, and Members of the North Carolina State remen's Association.

ENTLEMEN:—I beg to submit to you this my report as Statistician our Association.

DETAIL REPORT.

TOWNS HAVING ORGANIZED FIRE COMPANIES:

NAME OF TOWN	NUMBER COMPANIES		NUMBER FIREME	
	White	Col'd	White	Col'
Henderson	1	2	17	37
Wilson	1	2	22	40
Concord	1	1	17	26
Asheville	3	.....	45	....
Kinston	1	.....	43	....
Fayetteville	3	.....	34	....
Raleigh	3	1	63	27
Salem	2	.....	40	...
Wilmington	5	.....	32	....
Goldsboro	3	.....	48	....
Elizabeth City	1	1	20	30
Salisbury	3	.....	24	....
Greensboro	5	1	97	20
Charlotte	2	.....	24	....
Winston	3	1	60	20
New Berne	3	3	154	80
Durham	2	1	40	20
Reidsville	1	.....	10	....
Monroe	1	1	20	20
Greenville	1	2	32	60
Tarboro	1	.....	37	....
Enfield	1	.....	32	....
Washington	3	1	130	75
LaGrange	1	.....	20	....
Total	51	17	1061	455

TOWNS HAVING WATER WORKS:

NAME OF TOWN.	PRESURE.	
	Fire	Domestic
nderson	90	50
lson	150	48
ncord	75	25
neville	94	56
yetteville	90	90
eigh	50 to 75	50 to 75
em	.....	40
lmington	125	40
dsboro	50	40
isbury	70	45
ensboro	40	.....
rlotte	85	45
nston	125	.....
v Berne	100	50
enville	80 to 110	.....
boro	75	60
ham	65	65

TOWNS HAVING FIRE ALARMS:

sheville, Fayetteville, Raleigh, Salem, Wilmington, Goldsboro, ensboro, Winston, New Bern, and Durham—Gamewell System. narlotte—Richmond System.

HENDERSON DEPARTMENT.

nief, W. M. Young, elected by County Commissioners; term expires e 30th, 1900.

nree Companies, Volunteer.

elson Hose Company, Hose Reel, 17 men (white); Foreman, J. E. ch; Secretary, O. S. Falkner.

nterprise Hose Company, Hose Reel, 20 men (colored); Foreman, I. Artis; Secretary, J. S. Rowland.

d Warsp Hook and Ladder Company, 16 men, (colored); Fore-, H. Durham; Secretary, Jas. Hart.

ne reel and 500 feet of hose in reserve.

o Hand Hose Reels 3

Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks 1

Feet Rubber Hose 2,000

e of real estate used for fire purposes and apparatus $3,000

ater works, gravity and direct pressure; owned by private com-.

mber pounds pressure required for fire service, 90; domestic, 50.

lephone system for alarms.

SALEM DEPARTMENT.

Chief, F. C. Meinung, elected by the Company: term expir December 31st, 1900; Assistant, W. C. Grunert; Secretary, J. W Schott.

Two Companies; Part Paid.

Rough and Ready, Button Steamer, 22 men (white); Foreman, F. Meinung; Secretary, J. W. Schott.

Eagle Hose Company, Hand Reel, 20 men (white); Foreman, Ja L. Farley; Secretary, Jno. Pfaff.

No.	Hand Hose Reels	
"	Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	
"	Horse Hose Wagons	
"	Feet Rubber Hose	1,0
Value of real estate used for fire purposes		$ 1,5
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc		2,5
Total		$ 4,0

Water Works, gravity pressure; owned by private company.

Number pounds pressure required for domestic service, 40 lb.

Gamewell Electric Fire Alarm System.

Number of fire alarms from January 1st, 1899, to January 1 1900, 19.

WILMINGTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, Charles Schnibben, elected by Board of Aldermen; ter expires April, 1901; Assistant Chief and Secretary, W. P. Monroe.

Five Companies, Paid.

Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1, Rumsey Truck, 6 men (white); Fo man, W. P. Monroe; Secretary, J. Wannermaker.

Steamer Company, No. 1, Silsby Engine, 8 men (white); Forema B. R. Russell; Secretary, Robt. King.

Chemical Company, No. 1, Champion, 4 men (white); Foreman, Frick; Secretary, H. L. Kidd.

Hose Company, No. 3, Rumsey Cart, 6 men (white); Foreman, Freimuth; Secretary, B. F. Swann.

Engine Company, No. 2, Silsby Engine, 8 men (white); Forema W. A. Canady; Secretary, A. G. Redd.

Apparatus not in use: Button engine, hook and ladder truck.

Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	3
Horse Hose Wagons	1
Feet Rubber Hose	200
Feet Cotton Hose	5,200
ue of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 12,500
ue of all other property, etc	29,075
Total	$ 41,575
ount of insurance on property	$ 197,329.00
ount of loss	24,947.98

'ater works, both direct and gravity ; owned by private company; fire service 125 pounds pressure ; for domestic service, 40.

amewell Fire Alarm System.

ne hundred and forty-six alarms from January 1st, 1899, to Jan- 1st, 1900.

ccidents, —, but none serious ; 67 days loss of time.

GOLDSBORO DEPARTMENT.

ief, T. H. Bain, elected by Board of Aldermen; term expires May ; Assistant and Secretary, R. A. Creech.

ree Companies, Volunteer.

lipse, No. 1, Steamer and Hose Wagon, 20 men (white); Fore- , F. W. Hilker ; Secretary, R. D. Holt.

ldsboro Horse Hose Wagon, No. 1, 25 men (white); Foreman, . Gattis ; Secretary, H. L. McCall.

ectric Reel Company, Hand Reel, 16 men (white); Foreman, W. ador ; Secretary, J. M. Sadler.

paratus not in use : One chemicsl engine, two reels.

Hand Hose Reels	1
Horse Hose Wagon	2
Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
Feet Cotton Hose	2,000
e of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 6,000
e of all other property, etc	10,000
Total	$16,000

ss per year, $800.00, all covered by insurance.

ter works, both direct and gravity pressure ; owned by private any.

ty pounds pressure required for fire service ; for domestic service, pounds.

newell Electric Fire Alarm System.

eteen fire alarms from January 1st, 1899, to January 1st, 1900.

idents, 2, 20 days loss of time.

WILSON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. L. Hare, elected by Aldermen; term expires June, 19
Three Company, Volunteer.

Hose Company, No. 2, Horse Hose Wagon, 20 men (white); Fo man, E. F. Nadal; Secretary, E. V. Deens.

Red Hot Fire Company, Hand Hose Reel, 20 men (colored); Fo man, Tom Day; Secretary. Joe Davis.

Hose Company, No. 1, Hand Hose Reel, 19 men (colored); Forem Ed. Pool.

Apparatus not in use; One Silsby Fire Engine, one Hand H Reel.

No. Hand Hose Reels. .....
" Horse Hose Wagons..... .....
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks..... .....
" Feet Cotton Hose..... 1,
Value of real estate and apparatus used for fire purpose..... $ 4,

Number of alarms from January 1st, 1899, to January 1st, 1900,

Gravity and direct water pressure. Number pounds pressure fire service, 150; domestic, 48.

Water supply owned by city.

ELIZABETH CITY DEPARTMENT.

Chief, Jas. W. Richardson, appointed by Aldermen; term expi every two years; Assistant, Chas. Reed; Secretary, L. F. Mann.

Two Companies, Volunteer.

Albemarle Fire Company, Silsby Engine, 17 men (white); Forem Jas. Richardson; Secretary, L. M. Mann.

Excelsior Hook and Ladder Company, Hand Hook and Lad Truck, 28 men (colored); Foreman, E. Overton; Secretary, S. Pe

Apparatus not in use: 1 hand reel, one hand pump.

No. Hand Hose Reels..... ....
" 2-Horse Carriages.....
" 1-Horse Hose Reels.....
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks..... .....
" Feet Rubber Hose..... .....
" Feet Cotton Hose. 2,
Value of real estate used for fire purposes, about..... $ 6,
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc., about..... 6,

Total..... $12,

Electric Bells and Telephone fire alarm system.

Number of fire alarms from January 1st, 1899, to January 1st, 1 twenty-one.

Accidents to men, —. Days lost from business, 31.

ASHEVILLE DEPARTMENT.

ief, Jas. P. Sawyer, elected by City Council; term expires June, ; Secretary, L. W. Jeanneret.

ree Companies, Volunteer.

se Company, No. 1, 2 Hose Carriages, 19 men (white); Foreman, Bostic; Secretary, L. W. Jeanneret.

scue Hook and Ladder Company. No. 1, 1 2-horse Truck, 18 (white); Foreman, J. S. Fullum; Secretary, Herbert Loud.

se Company, No. 2, 1 Hand Reel, 5 men (white); Foreman, G. F. ; Secretary, G. F. Poor.

paratus not in use: Two hand reels and 3,000 feet of hose.

Hand Hose Reels	3
-Horse Hose Carriages	1
-Horse Reels	1
Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
eet Rubber Rose	1,500
eet Cotton Hose	2,300
e of real estate used for fire purposes	$30,000
e of all other property. apparatus, etc	3,800
al	$33,800
nt of insurance on property destroyed	$ 3,200
nt of loss over and above insurance	600

ter works, gravity pressure; owned by city. Number pounds re for fire service, 94.5: domestic, 56.

newell Electric Fire Alarm System.

nber of fire alarms from January 1, 1899, to January 1, 1900, 32.

ing the fall of 1898, the quarters for men at the apparatus ng have been enlarged and made comfortable and now eight en sleep at headquarters and are thus prepared to start at the ound of the alarm at night.

s of time from accident to fireman, 69 days.

CONCORD DEPARTMENT.

f, G. M. Murr, elected by ballot; term expires, January, 1901; ant, H. G. Ritz; Secretary, R. H. White.

Companies, Volunteer.

cord Hose and Reel Company, 17 men (white); Foreman, R. L. all; Secretary, R. H. White.

cord Hook and Ladder Company, 26 men (colored); Foreman Shannon; Secretary, John Farrier.

No. Hand Hose Reels.....
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts.....
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks.....
" Feet Rubber Hose.....
" Feet Cotton Hose..... 1
Value of real estate used for fire purposes.....$2
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc..... 1

Water works, gravity pressure; owned by private company.

Number pounds of pressure for fire service, 75; domestic, 25.

Number of fire alarms from January 1, 1899, to January 1, 1900.

KINSTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. D. Taylor, elected by Company; term expires Octo 1900; Assistant, J. A. Harvey; Secretary, J. T. Midyette.

One Company, Volunteer.

Kinston Steam Fire Engine Company, No. 1, Silsby Engine men (white); Foreman, Geo. B. Webb; Secretary, J. T. Midyette.

No. Hand Hose Wagons.....
" Feet Cotton Hose.....2

Water supply, wells and reservoir.

Number of fire alarms from January 1, 1899, to January 1, 19

Value of property, apparatus, etc..... $5

FAYETTEVILLE DEPARTMENT.

Chief, Chas. J. McNeill, elected by City Council; term expires M 1900; Assistant, Dr. J. T. McGoogan; Secretary. C. H. McDonald.

Three Companies, Volunteer and paid.

Chicora Steam Fire Engine Company, No. 1, 1 Silsby Steame Horse Hose Wagon, 10 men (white); Foreman, J. D. McNeill; Se tary, J. S. McNeill.

Hose Company, No. 1, Hose Reel, 12 men (white); Foreman, E Watson.

Hose Company, No. 2, Hose Reel, 12 men (white); Foreman, R McDuffie.

Horse Hose Wagon, No. 1, 4 men (white); J. S. McNeill, Foren

Apparatus not in use: Bucket truck and hand engine.

No. Hand Hose Reels.....
" Horse Hose Wagons.....
" Feet Cotton Hose..... 2
Value of real estate, used for fire purposes..... $2
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc..... 4

Total..... $7

ıter works, direct and gravity pressure; owned by private com-
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mber of pounds pressure for fire service, 90; domestic, 90.
mber of fire alarms from January 1, 1899, to January 1, 1900, 23.

RALEIGH DEPARTMENT.

ief, L. A. Mahler, elected by Board of Aldermen; term expires
4, 1901; Assistant, W. Woollcott; Secretary, L. A. Mahler.
ır Companies, Paid and Volunteer.
scue Company, No. 1, 2-Horse Hose Wagon, 22 men (white);
nan, R. E. Lumsden.
pital Company, No. 3, 2-Horse Hose Wagon, 25 men (white);
nan, J. R. Ferrall.
ok and Ladder Company, No. 1, 2-Horse Hook and Ladder
, 16 men (white); Foreman, W. W. Parish.
tor Company, No. 2, 2-Horse Hose Wagon, 27 men (colored);
nan, C. H. Dunston.
paratus not in use: One steamer, held in reserve.

Horse Hose Wagons	3
Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
eet Cotton Hose	4,000
of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 8,400.00
of all other property, apparatus, etc.	21,850.00
al	$30,250.00
nt of insurance paid on property destroyed	25,022.15
nt of loss over and above insurance	

er works, direct and tower; owned by private company.
nber pounds pressure for fire purposes, 50 to 75.
ewell Electric Fire Alarm System.
nber of Fire alarms from March 1, 1899, to March 1, 1900, 39.

REIDSVILLE DEPARTMENT.

f, J. Frank Stultz, elected by Board of Aldermen; term expires
ary 1st, 1900; Assistant, G. W. Burton; Secretary, W. H. Baker.
Company, Paid.
sville Fire Department, Silsby engine, 10 men (white); Fore-
. Frank Stultz; Secretary, W. H. Baker.

and Hose Reels	2
eet Cotton Hose	1,300
of property	$7,000

Water supply, one cistern.
Water works, direct and gravity; owned by city.
Pressure for fire service, 80 pounds.
Number fire alarms from January 1, 1899, to January 1, 1900, 8.

WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. G. Chauncey, elected by Board of Commissioners; te expires May 1, 1900.

Four Companies, Volunteer.

Ocean, Steam Fire Engine, 50 men (white); Foreman, J. F. Thom Secretary, G. Rumley.

Salamander, Hand Fire Engine, 75 men (colored); Foreman, Ch Blackledge; Secretary, A. Brown.

Volunteer, Hand Fire Engine, 35 men (white); Foreman, F. Hoyt; Secretary, R. Handy.

Phoenix Hook and Ladder, 45 men (white); Foreman, W. H. Devett; Secretary, T. F. Brown.

No. Hand Hose Reels	
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Feet Rubber Hose	2,
" Feet Cotton Hose	
Value of property, apparatus, etc	$10,

Water supply, five cisterns; owned by city.
Number pounds pressure for fire service, 130.

TARBORO DEPARTMENT.

Chief, C. B. Mehegan, elected annually; term expires June 1900; Assistant, J. T. Vines.

One Company, Volunteer.

Tarboro Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1, Hook and Ladder Truck Hand Reels, 37 men (white); Foreman, Louis Arnhein; Secreta Jno. A. Weddell.

No. Hand Hose Reels	
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Feet Rubber Hose	1,
Value real estate used for fire purposes	$ 5,
Value all other property	1,
Total	$ 6,
Amount insurance on property destroyed	$

ater supply: Hendricks Creek.
ater works, both direct and gravity pressure; direct pressure for owned by city.
mber pounds pressure for fire service, 40; for domestic service, 40.
x fire alarms from January 1, 1898, to January 1, 1899.
sh Hose Reel Co., Hook and Ladder, 21, (col.); Foreman, George s; Secretary, N. Williams.
e accident; died.

MONROE DEPARTMENT.

ief, Dr. S. J. Welch, elected by City Aldermen; term expires Assistant, Dr. W. B. Houston; Secretary, B. Williams.
o Companies, Volunteer.
nroe Steam Fire Co., Silsby engine (white); Foreman, Dr. W. B. ton; Secretary, B. Williams.
ok and Ladder Co., (colored).

Hand Hoss Reels	3
Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
Feet Rubber Hose	1,500

ter works, in course of construction; owned by city.
e Fire alarm from January 1, 1898, to January 1, 1899.

GREENSBORO DEPARTMENT.

ef, J. Heary Phipps, appointed by Mayor; term expires May 1st, Assistant, O. D. Boycott; Secretary, E. L. Clarke.
Companies, Volunteer.
gle Hose Company, No. 7, 1-Horse Wagon, 22 men (white); Cap- F. N. Taylor; Secretary, Harry Poezolt.
ensboro Steam Fire Engine Company, No. 1, 2-Horse Wagon a France Engine, 14 men (white); Foreman, W. W. Bain; Sec- , Harry Lewis.
k and Ladder Company, No. 1, Babcock Truck, 17 men (white); an, C. A. Boon; Seeretary, Lee Wharton.
thside Hose Company, 1-Horse Wagon, 18 men (white); Fore- Geo. W. Pritchett; Secretary, W. L. Guthrie.
st End Hose Company, Hand Reel, 14 men (white); Captain, J. rr; Secretary, C. B. Wilson.
elsior Hose Company, Hand Reel, 20 men (colored); Foreman, Patterson; Secretary, J. W. Jones.
aratus not in use: One chemical engine, three hand reels.

No. Hand Hose Reels.....
" Horse Hose Wagons.....
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks.....
" Feet Rubber Hose.....
" Feet Cotton Hose..... 3,
Volue real estate for fire purposes..... $ 5,
Value other property, etc..... 20,

Total..... $ 25,

Water Works, standpipe, 40 pounds pressure; owned by priv company.

Fifty pounds pressure required for fire service.

Gamewell Electric Fire Alarm System.

Eighteen alarms from January 1st, 1899, to January 1st 1900.

Accident to firemen; days lost, 290.

CHARLOTTE DEPARTMENT.

Chief, W. B. Glenn, elected by City Council; term expires M 1901; Assistant, J. H. Wentz; Secretary, J. P. Beatty.

Two Companies, Volunteer and Paid.

Charlotte Fire Department, No. 1, two Steamers, Hose Wag Truck, 24 men (white); Foreman, E. F. Creswell; Secretary, J. Beatty.

No. Hand Hose Reels.....
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts.....
" Horse Hose Wagons.....
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks.....
" Feet Cotton Hose..... 4,
Value real estate used for fire purposes..... $ 6,
Value all other property..... 7,

Total..... $13,

Water works, direct pressure; owned by city.

Pounds pressure for fire service, 85; for domestic service, 45.

Richmond Electric Fire Alarm System.

Eighty-four alarms from January 1, 1899, to January 1, 1900.

Apparatus not in use: 2 hand reels, 1 hand engine, 1 steam engi

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NEW BERN DEPARTMENT.

Chief, W. F. Richardson, elected by Board of Officers of Fire I partment; term expires January, 1901; Assistant, A. E. Hibbard; S retary, H. S. Styron.

Six Companies, Volunteer.

ew Bern, No. 1, Engine and Hose Wagon, 55 men (white); Fore-
, L. A. Taylor; Secretary, T. C. Daniels.

tlantic, No. 1, Engine and Hose Wagon, 65 men (white); Fore-
, J. G. Delemar; Secretary, J. C. Scales.

fth Ward Reel Co., Hand Reel, 15 men (white) Foreman, C. J.
arthy; Secretary, V. Hassell.

ugh and Ready Hook and Ladder Co., Hook and Ladder Truck,
en (colored); Secretary, Horace Bryan.

urth Ward Reel Co., Hand Reel, 20 men (colored); Foreman, Sam
ardson.

xth Ward Reel Co., Hand Reel, 25 men (colored); Foreman, Isaac
b; Secretary, Bill Pool.

Hand Hose Reels	6
Horse Hose Wagons	2
Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
Feet Cotton Hose	5,000
e of real estate used for fire purposes	$3,000
e of all other property	3,000
tal	$6,000

ter works, direct pressure; owned by private company.

mber pounds pressure for fire service, 80; for domestic service,
unds.

mewell Electric Fire Alarm System.

LA GRANGE DEPARTMENT.

e Company, Volunteer.

ief Fire Company, No. 1, Hand Pump, 20 men (white); Fore-
C. P. Bunn; Secretary, ——— Hudger.

eet Cotton Hose	300
of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 150
of all other property	570
otal	$ 720

er supply, five cisterns.

SALISBURY DEPARTMENT.

f, M. V. A. Capps, appointed by Aldermen; term expires June
; Assistant, P. H. Meroney; Secretary, C. H. Swink.

companies, Volunteer.

e Reel Co., No. 1, Hand Reel, 8 men (white); Foreman, R. L.
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Hose Reel Co., No. 1, Hand Reel, 8 men (white); Foreman, W Howard.

Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1, Hand Hook and Ladder Truck, 8 r (white); Foreman, D. S. Sides.

No. Hand Hose Reels	
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Feet Rubber Hose	
" Feet Cotton Hose	2
Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 5
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc	1
Total	$ 7

Water works, direct pressure; owned by private company.

Number pounds pressure required for fire service, 70; domestic.

WINSTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. W. Hanes, elected by Board of Aldermen; term exp annually; Assistant, H. L. Riggins; Secretary, James Dunn.

Four Companies, Volunteer and Paid.

Winston Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 1, 20 men (white); Foren A. J. Gayles; Secretary, D. Westmoreland.

Winston Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 2, 20 men (white); Foren J. B. McCreary, Secretary, J. A. L. Miller.

Hook and Ladder Co., No 1, 20 men (white); Foreman, R. C. Tay Secretary, W. Young.

Hook and Ladder Co., No. 2, 20 men (colored); Foreman, Houston; Secretary, R. L. Bass.

No. Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	
" Horse Hose Wagons	
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Feet Rubber Hose	
" Feet Cotton Hose	1
Value real estate used for fire purposes	$15
Value all other property	15
Total	$30

Water works, both direct and gravity pressure; owned by City.

Number pounds pressure for fire service, 125.

Gamewell Electric Fire Alarm System.

Number alarms January 1st, 1899, to January 1st, 1900, fifteen.

One accident.

GREENVILLE DEPARTMENT.

ıief, A. J. Griffin, elected by Councilmen; term expires yearly.
ıree Companies, Volunteer.
ɔpe Steamer, La France, 30 men (white); Foreman, W. F. Hard-
Secretary, D. Overton.
ɔugh and Ready, Truck, 33 men (colored); Foreman, Dennis
ıes; Secretary, W. P. Honcutt.
ad Haw, Hand Engine made by Howe Pump and Engine Co., 25
(colored); Foreman, Willis Clark; Secretary, A. Pender.

Hand Hose Reels	1
Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
Feet Rubber Hose	1,500
e real estate used for fire purposes	$ 4,500

ıter supply, three cisterns.
mber pounds pressure for fire service, 80 to 110.

ENFIELD DEPARTMENT.

ef, S. Myer, elected by vote of Company; term expires January
901; Assistant, Jno. Benton; Secretary, S. S. Alsop.
Company, Volunteer.
ield Fire Company, Hand Engine, 30 men (white).

Hand Hose Reels	1
Hand Carriages	1
Feet Rubber Hose	450
real estate used for fire purposes	$ 100
all other property	700
otal	$ 800

er supply, wells.
had five fire alarms from January 1st, 1899, to January 1st, 1900.

SPENCER DEPARTMENT.

f, W. J. Byerly, appointed; Assistant Chief, J. T. Morgan;
ary, R. L. Workman.
e Companies (white), volunteer.
ine shop, No. 1, 25 men; Foreman L. P. Welfrey.
h Shop, No. 2, 10 men; Foreman James Harris.
Shop, No. 3, 10 men; Foreman, W. F. Stafford.

No. Hand Reels.....
" Feet Rubber Hose.... ....
" Feet Cotton Hose..... 1
Value of real estate and apparatus used for fire purposes..... $ 1

Water works, both gravity and direct pressure; owned by pri Company.

Number pounds for fire service, 80; number pounds for dome service, 30.

LUMBERTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, E. K. Proctor, Jr., elected by two Companies; term exp May 1, 1900; Assistant Chief, O. T. Williams; Secretary, C. B. Skip

Three Companies, Volunteer.

Hose Reel Co., No. 2, 15 men (white); Foreman, S. McIntyre, retary, C. B. Skipper.

Hose Reel Co., No. 1, 15 men (white); Foreman, W. J. Prevatt; retary, E. B. Freeman.

Hook and Ladder Co., 12 men (white); Foreman, F. J. Floyd.

No. Hand Reels.....
" Feet Rubber Hose.....
Value of real estate for fire purposes and apparatus..... $

Water works, both gravity and direct pressure; owned by city.

Respectfully submitted,

~~L. J. TAYLOR~~, *Statistici*
W. P. MONROE

Moved, seconded, and carried that it be adopted.

President:

The Chair would like to ask if there are any of our visiting b ren here from South Carolina or Virginia; if so, I would like to them come forward so we can see if we know them all.

(None came.)

President:

Now, gentlemen, we are under the head of "Miscellaneous Busi

Mr. Gattis:

In the rules of the Association I think that the Hose Wagon should come off after the Hand Reel contest. I see in the pro that it is booked for the Hose Wagon contest to come off tom afternoon.

ne President stated that the program was gotten up printed as the local Executive Committee thought , and as the Convention was a sovereign it had the t to change the program to meet the wishes of the ma- y. Quite a discussion ensued, chiefly between Mr. iels, of Newberne, and Mr. Gattis, of Goldsboro; Mr. iels contending for the program to remain just as it

esident McNeil stated that in view of the fact that ay was Inter-State Day, and the Grab Reel Race ired our men to stay in service, they had deemed st to so arrange the program that the Reel Races off on Thursday.

. Gattis withdrew his motion.

esident:

a member of the Committee who formed that, Mr. Gattis, I you.

esident:

tlemen of the Convention: One moment. We have here sit- n the right, one of the oldest firemen in the State. You can looking at him that he is an old, old man, and it is always a re to me to have him say something to the firemen. I want to uce to you S. H. Fishblate, one of the oldest firemen in the

. Fishblate:

esident and Gentlemen of the Convention:

return the compliment, I think, to my friend McNeil. We same age. (Laughter). I can remember when I was a little was a grown man then, and he forgets those old days. I just p here to participate with you, gentlemen. He stated that I of the oldest firemen in Wilmington. I am now a member of sociation and I am proud of it. When I heard that your next ment would be held in Wilmington, I said to them: "Now, men of North Carolina are as fine a body of men as exist in te. In bringing them to Wilmington, you must entertain s gentlemen, because every one of them is a gentleman; be- o man can belong to a fire company in North Carolina unless gentleman." I have been to State Conventions, and I can

truthfully say that I never saw a body of finer looking men th is at Wilmington today.

I was not present this morning to hear Col. Waddell's speech. know it was good, and I would say to you now that this is people's city and the city is yours, and you had better take all advantage you can of it, for this reason: Because it is very seld we give anybody the entire city. (Applause.)

President:

Gentlemen:—It seems in our past history we have had a li trouble over the construction of the rules. Last May, in Charlo while in Chief Glenn's city at an Inter-State Tournament, th had there, we had at least twice the most pleasant Tournam I have ever attended. And I feel satisfied one of the main r sons that made the Tournament so pleasant was because the ni before the Tournament we took the rules and went over them, w after word, and line after line, so that there could be no possible m conception of their meaning. Now let me read these rules, and there is a man present that does not understand everything tha read, let him right now say it, or pledge himself, so help him God forever hereafter hold his peace. (Laughter.)

President read the rules, one by one, and some chan were made, and they will so appear in the Minutes of th Convention.

Rule "Hose Wagon Race." Moved that the hose m be let go before the pressure is taken off; if the butt blown off, Company shall be ruled out. Seconded. Carri

Moved and seconded that the Local Reception Commit be requested to keep their pressure as near 50 pounds possible. Carried.

Page 78—Rule governing "The Hook and Ladder C test." Moved and seconded that the rule be added to re "Shaft shall be placed on right side of hose." Carried.

Addition made to the rule governing Horse Reel Ra also.

Moved and seconded that a committee of five be pointed to formulate a set of rules for the Junior Tea Carried.

Motion was in order to adjourn until 8:30. Second carride.

EVENING SESSION.

he Convention was called to order by President Mc-
l, and the revision of rules was resumed.

fter some discussion on the revision of the Quick
am Contest rule, Mr. Daniels moved that a committee
ppointed by the President to write to the American
Engine Co., who are manufacturers of engines, and
them to establish a handicap to govern all companies.
onded; carried.

resident appointed the following committee: Messrs.
rington, Gayles, and Lewis.

resident:

e Committee on Junior Reel Team Rule now please report.

r. Daniels, Chairman of the Committee, read the
rt:

ur committee beg leave to report the following rules to govern
unior Reel Team Races of this Association:

1. The race shall be 75 yards to hydrant.
2. They shall lay not less than 48 feet of hose, attach to hydrant,
r to show opposite or beyond plug; cap to be on one full thread.
ld butt or nozzle blow off, company shall be ruled out.
3. No member of a team shall be over 16 years old.
4. Company to run not more than 16 boys and a foreman.

Respectfully submitted,

M. D. V. Capps,
John Lewis,
J. L. Hartsfield,
Tom C. Daniels,
} *Committee.*

otion that it be incorporated. Seconded; carried.

port of Finance Committee upon the reports of Offi-
r Mr. Taylor reads:

s is to certify that we, the Finance Committee, have examined
oks of the Secretary and Treasurer, and find the Treasurer's
all O. K., and find that the Secretary's books show that he has
l over to the Treasurer $13.85 more than he has received. But
is nothing to show his receipts prior to November 16th, 1899,

and would ask that he send to Executive Committee a report showi his receipts from August 1st, 1899, to November 16th, as the Trea urer has his receipt for $25 which his books show no receipt of.

Respectfully submitted,

L. J. TAYLOR,
JOHN L. HARE,
W. O. GATTIS,
W. M. YOUNG,
J. T. VINES.

Moved and seconded that the report be accepted ar filed and spread upon the minutes. Carried.

President:

Now we are under the head of "Miscellaneous Business." I ha a letter here from the Insurance Commissioner of North Carolin Mr. ————, and I want to say to all the firemen present, t chiefs especially, that the last Legislature placed on its Insuran Commissioner and upon every Chief in North Carolina a new a important duty. I asked him to be present at this meeting to a dress you all and let you know the different changes in the laws. H has written me a letter that will take but a few minutes, and he ash me to read it to this Convention.

President read the letter.

Moved that the act be incorporated in the next procee ings. Seconded; carried.

President:

I am in receipt of another letter this afternoon from a member our Association, Mr. C. H. Campbell, of Charlotte.

Letter read.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., July 9th, 1900.

Hon. James D. McNeil, President State Firemen's Associatio Wilmington, N. C.:

DEAR SIR:—I have been directed by the Board of Aldermen of tl city of Charlotte to officially extend the State Firemen's Associatic a cordial invitation to hold its next meeting in the city of Charlott

I regret exceedingly that, owing to my engagements in the car paign, it is impossible for me to go to Wilmington and personally e tend to your Association this invitation; but hope this will be suf cient, and that you will accept it in the spirit in which it is offered.

We will throw the gates of the "Queen City" wide open to you ar

t you with that cordiality for which the people of Charlotte are nguished.

Yours very respectfully,

J. D. McCALL, *Mayor of Charlotte.*

resident:

cretary will call the roll for Volunteer Reports of Fire Organi-ns.

SCUE HOOK AND LADDER CO., NO. 1., ASHEVILLE.—The only im-ement that we have made in the last 12 months was a new horse. n very good condition; better condition than ever.

SE CO., NO. 1, ASHEVILLE.—New horse and up-to-date electrical ratus in house.

ARLOTTE FIRE CO., NO. 1.—Good shape; two hose wagons, two es, one hook and ladder truck, one hand hose reel.

ARLOTTE REEL TEAM.—Same reel had last year; better team had last year; same amount of hose.

GLE HOSE CO., NO. 1, SALEM.—Good shape.

UGH AND READY FIRE CO., SALEM.—No improvement.

GLE HOSE CO., NO. 7, GREENSBORO.—Is in better condition.

NEER HOSE CO.—We are new and in pretty good shape.

UTHSIDE, NO. 4, GREENSBORO.—Alright; in good shape.

EAM FIRE CO.—Good shape.

OK AND LADDER CO., NO. 1.—They have built them a new house dded two horses.

OK AND LADDER CO., NO. 1. WILMINGTON.—In good order.

SE CO., NO. 3, WILMINGTON.—Good shape.

EAM FIRE ENGINE CO., NO. 1, WILMINGTON.—Two new horses; ose wagon.

EAM FIRE ENGINE CO., NO. 2, WILMINGTON.—First-class.

E AND REEL CO., CONCORD.—Same condition as last year with omise of a new reel.

V BERNE STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO., NO. 1.—Good condition.

ANTIC STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO., NO. 1.—I would like to say e have added one new reel to our company; we now own two earing reels and a hose wagon.

SON FIRE CO., NO. 3.—All right.

Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1. Raleigh.—On the road to impro ment.

Rescue Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 1, Raleigh.—No impro ment; are going to put up a building.

No. 1, Durham.—Good shape.

No. 2, Durham.—Added one new hose wagon, also a reel; town h promised a new building; in pretty good condition now.

Chicora Steam Fire Engine Co.—Same as last year with t addition of a new hose wagon.

Fire Co., No. 1, Goldsboro.—During the past year we have add a new building in addition to our old one; we have a new horse, a we are in very good condition financially and in membership. Ha about 1,250 feet of hose.

Eclipse Steam Fire Engine Co., Goldsboro.—Good condition.

Hose Co., No. 1, Salisbury.—In good condition; are on a fair w to improve gradually.

Nelson Hose Co., No. 1, Henderson.—Good shape.

Elizabeth City.—Three new horses; in good shape.

Fire Co., No. 1, Spencer.—Good shape.

Rocky Mount Steam Fire Engine Co.—We are better fixed th we have ever been since we have had a fire department.

President:

The next business will be the election of officers.

Mr. Daniels calls attention to the fact that the actio of the Association at the last meeting, governin electrical starting apparatus, has been placed in the mi utes and approved this morning at the wrong place.

President:

It has placed in the rule governing the Championship Contes Section 3, page 74. It should be Section 3, Rule 8, under Genera Rules governing Tournament. These proceedings having been ap proved this morning as a whole, and having approved that rule, it i necessary, to get it in regular, that it be reconsidered in so far as tha proceedings are concerned. The Chair will now entertain a motio to reconsider the provision of these proceedings this morning in s far as the Electrical Apparatus is concerned.

oved that it should be Section 3, Rule 8. Seconded; ied.

resident:

xt thing in order is the election of officers.

oved and seconded that the regular order as regards fficers of the Association be adopted. Carried.
esident McNeil was put in nomination for re-election. Daniels moved that the Secretary be instructed to the entire vote of the Convention for his re-election. nimously carried.
ies for McNeil.

esident McNeil:

tlemen:—I want to call your attention to my report which I his morning in which I stated to you that I hoped you would nsider me a permanent fixture. Less than two weeks ago I re- l a similar nomination to this to the Senate of North Carolina. st be that I have behaved myself remarkably well, or I am fool- mebody.
n only say, gentlemen, that as I have tried to serve you in the I will continue to serve you for another year as well, if possi- s I have done.
cept your nomination, gentlemen, and will do all that I can to er your work, and I ask you to give me the same hearty co-oper- in the next year that you have done in the last twelve months. inued applause).

minations for First Vice-President were now in order. name of Capt. H. L. Riggins was placed in nomination. imously elected.
e name of W. S. Orr, of Charlotte, was put in nation for Second Vice-President. Unanimously ed.
minations for Secretary were now in order. Placed in nation were the names of C. H. Swink, Salisbury; E. L. , Greensboro; W. O. Gattis, Goldsboro; W. C. Von- n, Wilmington. Vote taken by roll-call. Moved and ded that the name receiving the minority of votes time be dropped from the list. Carried.

Result of first vote: Swink, 5; Gattis, 21; Clark, VonGlahn, 30: 81 votes cast.

Swink withdrew his name.

Ballots prepared for a second vote, which resulted follows: Gattis, 20; Clark, 30; VonGlahn, 31: 81 votes ca

Gattis dropped.

The third vote resulted as follows: Clark, 37; VonGla 48: 85 votes cast.

W. C. VonGlahn, having received the majority of vot he was unanimously elected Secretary for the ensui year.

W. C. VonGlahn:

Mr. President and Gentlemen: All that I can say to you is tha am very much obliged, and that I shall try to do you all the serv that I can possibly do in that position; wherever the Tournamen held next year I hope to show the books in proper shape and my port in type-writing. (Laughter and applause).

The Secretary was instructed by the Convention to ca a solid vote for the election of Mr. T. A. Green as Tre urer for another year.

Mr. Green:

Gentlemen:—I can only say, as I have done for so many ye gone by, that I thank you for the compliment you have paid r And I promise you in the future to do as I have always tried to do the past; that is, to keep your books in good shape, to pay your ord when they are drawn on me as soon as I can get hold of them so th no man has to wait for his money. (Applause.)

The Secretary, per instructions of the Convention, ca the entire vote of the house for the re-election of L. Taylor, of Newberne, for Statistician.

Mr. Taylor:

I am very much obliged for the honor, and I can only promise do the next year as I have tried to do this year. I only ask that t Chiefs of the Different Departments be more prompt in answerin letters and filling out blanks in the future than they have done in t past. I have had a good deal of trouble in getting answers to lette and blanks filled out by the Chiefs from the Departments. They g

blanks, they are busy and lay them aside, thinking "tomorrow ill be time enough." But you don't always have time enough to-orrow. And I ask the representatives before me to keep a good port. It is with you whether I have a good report or a bad one, id I ask each one of you to aid me all you can.

Moved and seconded that the President have the matter selection of judges and time-keepers solely in his own nds. Carried.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Convention was called to der by President McNeil at 9 o'clock Thursday evening, ly 12th, in the Court House.

President:

The Convention is now in order. This is an adjourned session of e meeting—our regular business meeting—on last Tuesday eve-ng at which we adjourned until 8:30 o'clock tonight to finish up y unfinished business, and any other business that might properly me before us. Would like to state that one of the main features of e evening, and the most important business that we can do, is to ar from our Inter-State brethren, or brethren from South Carolina, regard to treating their positions in tomorrow's races, and on our rt extend to them every courtesy and promise them everything we n do to make their stay here pleasant and their participation in r Tournament such as I hope they may find it. I am very hoarse d cannot very well talk. The Chair is now ready to hear anything advance the interest of the Association and the business before it. e Association is now ready to do business under the head of "Un-ished business." Are you prepared to bring up anything under t head?

Capt. Barrington, of New Berne:

t has been spoken today about changing the time of holding the urnament meetings. Some teams are anxious to have it earlier so to get clear of the extreme hot weather that we are now having d always have had at our Tournaments. Now I just mention this get it before the house and to hear from the other members of the sociation in regard to the time that they wish it changed to.

President:

You have heard the suggestion of Capt. Barrington, of New Berne, regard to the time that our annual Tournament meetings shall be d. The Chair feels it its duty to state that heretofore the time for ding these Tournaments has been left, to a certain extent, optional

to the committees. However, we have gotten big enough now to tate ourselves instead of being dictated to.

In Western North Carolina, for instance, the conditions are q different from those in Eastern North Carolina. That is, our b season is the cotton season; in the central it is in the tobacco seas in the West I do not know what their busy season is, all of i reckon.

Mr. Swinson, of Charlotte:

As you are going to Charlotte next year, I will state that we only glad that you are going, and we are going to give you some the best prizes that you have ever gotten whenever you come, and are willing to hold the Association whenever it will suit you. the brother has just spoken of May; we are stuck on May, because best people prefer May. We can give far better prizes in May than can any other time in the year. Would be glad if you would co there at that time.

Chief Schnibben, of Wilmington:

I move that it be left to the Executive Committee and the Tour ment Committee.

Chair states that that motion is not necessary, as it now, it is left optional to the Executive Committee of Association and the Committee inviting the Association meet there.

Mr. Barrington:

Concerning having the Tournament in May at Charlotte, I ha heard it brought up before now in Associations that Charlotte wan the Tournament then because she had some kind of demonstrat then. I think that this Association ought to express right now wishes in regard to the matter so that the Executive Committee sh act intelligently in regard to same. And each and every one, espe ally the delegates, if he wants it in May, let him say May. Ch lotte says she will give more prizes if we hold it there in May. Th is what we are going for. We are not going for fun; we are goi for what we expect to get out of it. We are going to have a go time, of course, and we are also going for the prizes. If Charlo will give twice as many prizes in May as she will in June, let us in May.

Mr. VonGlahn:

I would like to know if Charlotte intends to hold this Tournam along with the Declaration of Independence Celebration.

President:

'he Chair would like to repeat what he said in the Convention the er night, that the last Convention and Tournament in Charlotte the 20th of May was one of the most pleasant events he ever at- ded up to that time. I do not know now whether I can say it is pleasantest or not.

Mr. Chamberlain, of Durham:

am opposed to holding the Tournament in May because it is the ng month and we never have any time to practice. We have to in rain.

Chief Madray, of Durham:

rise to second the suggestion of Mr. Chamberlain. I have heard od many of our fireman express themselves, and they all are inst (as a rule, most of them are) going there in the 20th of May bration, where we would be only second. I am in favor of going here in June or July, and I think a great many of the companies against going there in May, on the 20the specially. Up our way annot get off then. It is our busy time.

ave a telegram today from Durham in which one individual citi- there offers to give his check for $500 if I will get the Tourna- t there, but, of course, we are too late, but we here express a e that we will be in it next time, and would like to be an appli- for the next Tournament.

r. Blair, of Charlotte, stated that he was absolutely pos e that should the Association come to Charlotte on the of May, there would be no other celebration than Tournament. He also stated that the main reason for hing it then was because so many of the business men, ecially those representing manufacturers, would be in n then, whereas, if the Tournament was held later, would not be there to lend their support.

iscussions from delegates all over the house were d, after which the following motion was put: "That matter be left with the Executive Committee of the ociation," which was amended to the extent that the cutive Committee consult with the different Depart- ts in the State as to their wishes in the matter. Sec- d and carried as amended.

Mr. Hare:

I do not know whether I am in order or not, but if you remen yesterday evening I claimed a protest. Is this the time for m bring it up? Mr. President, I want to state that yesterday in Hose Wagon Race, as you know, and the rest of the Associa know, the cap on the hydrant was left off, laying on the ground did not run first; I didn't run last. The first man came along cap was laying on the ground; the next run was mine; the judge present and says that he screwed the cap on three full threads on team. He also says that he is satisfied that my team lo second's time. I simply want to ask the Association whether or they think I had a fair, straight deal. Now I am not accusing— not pretend to say that the hydrant judge did this intentionally simply state that it was not my fault. I think I was out as littl anybody while the Convention was in session, but it just happe that I was out at this particular time when this rule was chan Laying that aside, I claim that it was the officer's duty to inst their judges at the hydrant, as well as the nozzle, what their du were. If it was right for everybody else to have the cap lying on ground they should have told them so. If it was right for it to b they should have told them so. I just simply ask for a fair hear There is only one-fifth of a second between me and first money, I want to ask the Association, if there is a man that won sec money here, I want to ask him, if he thinks he can get that cap o one-fifth second. I am not kicking, and I think that Wilmington given us one of the cleanest tournaments we have ever attended.

President:

I want to say, supplementary to what the Chief of the Wil Department (Mr. Hare) has said, that in our Convention Tues night the construction of the sentence "plug must be closed w the company starts to make the run," was construed that wa should not be flowing. Under that construction the team mak the first run ran with the cap off. The cap was taken off and l aside. In the meantime, the hydrant judge comes up, and not und standing this construction, while my back was turned, he put cap on three full threads, doubtless thinking that he was correct an error, and thinking that he was doing Mr. Hare and the Asso tion a favor. He therefore committed the error of putting on when it should not have been put on.

Mr. Hare.

I want to state further that I do not accuse the Association of a thing wrong; I do not want to accuse the judge. I simply lay mys in the position of being in an unfortunate position.

Mr. Barrington, of New Berne:

Was it decided at this last meeting that the Convention should cide these things? It has always heretofore been that the dges decided questions of this kind.

Mr. Chamberlain:

I think that this Association was to decide any protests.

President:

This Association is a Sovereign. It is the North Carolina State remen's Association. It is higher than any other party. It can do anything that it has done, and if any of the judges have made error in their decision, this Association, as a matter of course, can do it. Your rule says judges must be governed by the above rules.

Chair asks the Secretary to read the record of the Hose agon Race.

It was here suggested that the judge at the hydrant be owed to explain the situation, which he did as follows:

Mr. President:—At your instructions, calling me to the hydrant, ook charge of it as hydrant judge. Knowing heretofore that the had always been put on, and not noticing that it was off at first, icked it up and brushed the dirt out of it and put it on and gave hree threads. I think, Sir, that the team running at that time uld probably have lost a second. I thought myself that they had n the money, but it could not have been more than a second.

Motion made that Hare withdraw his question and the o companies settle it between themselves. Vote taken rising. Result: 6 ayes, 19 nayes. Thus the decision the judges in the Hose Wagon Race was not sustained. tion was made and seconded that the question be waived the present in order that the program for next day be anged, the entries made, etc.

While the companies were making their entries, Presi- t McNeil introduced the different officers of the South olina Association, who very kindly responded to the etings of their brother firemen of the "Old North te."

Moved and seconded that the South Carolina companies llowed to draw first. Carried.

Some slight changes were made in the program in orde that the South Carolina teams might get their entries i in time to get through in time to leave at a specified time.

Drawings for position entries read.

The question concerning the Hose Wagon Race wa taken up again, and it was moved and seconded that th second and third money awarded in this contest be equall divided between the Wilson and New Berne departments and no time given. Unanimously carried.

The rules governing the North Carolina State Firemen' Association were read in order that the visiting fireme might be thoroughly familiar with the changes.

Chief Phipps, of Greensboro, read the following resolu tion and asked that it be adopted ;

Resolved: That it is the sense of this meeting that the Preside be instructed to buy one racing cart to weigh not less than 100 pound and the same kept by the Association for the purpose of all han reel contests, and each and every team be required to use same a tournament in contests for all future prizes.

Seconded.

Moved that the resolution lay over to be brought up a the next annual meeting of the Association. Seconded carried.

There being no further business to come before th meeting, motion was in order to adjourn; seconded, unani mously carried.

RECORD OF CONTESTS AND TIME.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 11TH.

ENGINE CONTEST—BEST TIME START TO FINISH.

w Berne Co., No. 1.—Time, 2 minutes, 37 1-5 seconds.
lantic Co., No. 1., New Berne—Time, 2 minutes 41 3-5 seconds.
nston Co.—Time, 6 minutes, 54 2-5 seconds.

lges and Timers.—E. P. Bailey, F. T. Mills, S. J. Davis.
rter.—W. C. VonGlahn.

HORSE HOSE WAGON CONTEST.

ipse Steam Fire Engine Co., Goldsboro.—Time, 38 2-5 seconds.
son Co., No. 3, Wilson.—Time, 40 2-5 seconds.
antic Co., No. 1, New Berne.—Time, 42 1-5 seconds.
nston Co., No. 2, Winston.—Time, 40 1-5 seconds.
dsboro Co., No. 1, Goldsboro.—Ruled out.

ges ad Timers.—E. P. Bailey, F. T. Mills, S. J. Davis.
rter.—W. C. VonGlahn.

THURSDAY, JULY 12TH.

CHAMPIONSHIP RACE.

lsboro, No. 1.—Ruled out.
thern Railway Spencer Hose Co.—Time, 47 1-5 seconds.
m Hose Co.—Ruled out.
ntic Co., No. 1, New Berne.—Ruled out.
hside, Greensboro.—Time, 46 2-5 seconds.
Berne Co., No. 1.—Time, 47 2-5 seconds.

es and Timers.—H. McL. Green, E. P. Bailey, S. J. Davis.
ter.—W. C. VonGlahn.

JUNIOR REEL RACE.

tteville.—Ruled out.
Berne, No. 1., Juniors.—Ruled out.
ntic Juniors, New Berne.—Time, 20 4-5 seconds.
e, No. 7, Greensboro.—Second.

es and Timers.—H. McL. Green, E. P. Bailey, S. J. Davis.

QUICK STEAM CONTEST.

New Berne Co., No. 1.—Time, 146 4-5.
Atlantic Co., No. 1., New Berne.—Second.
Winston.—No time.

Judges and Timers.—E. B. Hackman, C. C. Cooper, C. Schnibbe

HAND REEL CONTEST.

Southern Railway Spencer Co.—Out.
Durham Co., No. 1.—Time, 27 2-5 seconds.
New Berne Co., No. 1.—Time, 27 3-5 seconds.
Southside, Greensboro.—Time, 27 2-5 seconds.
Atlantic Co., No. 1, New Berne.—Time, 26 2-5 seconds.
Pioneer Co., No. 2, Charlotte.—Time, 31 seconds.
Chicora, Fayetteville.—Out.
Tarboro Co., No. 1.—Out.
Charlotte, No. 1.—Out.
Eagle Co., Salem.—Out.
Goldsboro Co., No. 1.—Out.
Durham Co., No. 2.—Out.

Judges and Timers.—E. P. Bailey, F. T. Mills, S. J. Davis.

GRAB REEL RACE.

Southern Railway Spencer Co.—Time, 21 2-5 seconds.
Durham Co., No. 1.—Time, 21 4-5 seconds.
Southside, Greensboro.—Time, 21 2-5 seconds.
Atlantic Co., No. 1.—Time, 20 seconds.
Pioneer Co., No. 2.—Time, 21 1-5 seconds.
Durham Co., No. 2.—Time, 20 2-5 seconds.
New Berne Co., No. 1.—Out.
Chicora, Fayetteville.—Out.
Tarboro.—Out.
Charlotte Reel Team, No. 1.—Out.
Eagle Co., Salem.—Out.
Goldsboro Co., No. 1.—Out.

Judges and Timers.—E. P. Bailey, F. T. Mills, S. J. Davis.

HOOK AND LADDER CONTEST.

Rescue Hook and Ladder Co., Asheville.—Time, 52 1-5 seconds.
Winston Hook and Ladder Co., Winston.—Time, 53 1-5.

LONG DISTANCE ENGINE CONTEST.

Winston Steamer Co., No. 2.—217 feet.
Rocky Mount Steam Fire Engine Co.—208 1-2.

Judges and Timers in both contests.—E. B. Baily, F. T. Mills, J. Davis.
Starter.—VonGlahn.

FRIDAY, JULY 13th—INTER-STATE DAY.

HAND REEL.

ıdependent, Columbia, S. C.,—Time, 27 2-5.
almetto No. 2, " " " 27 2-5.
ɔuthsides.—Time 27 3-5.
ɔldsboro Co., No. 1.—Time 29 2-5.
ɔuthern Railway Spencer Co.,— Time 26 3-5.
ioneer Reel Team, Charlotte,—Time 29.
ıarlotte Reel Team, No. 1.—Time 28 1-5.
ırham Co., No. 1.—Out.
:lantic Co., No. 1., New Berne.—Out.

GRAB REEL RACE.

dependent, Columbia, S. C.—Out.
ılmetto, No. 2.—Time 20 4-5.
uthsides.—Time 24 1-5.
ırham Co., No. 2.—Time 21.
oneer Reel Team, Charlotte.—Time 21.
arlotte " " No. 1.—Time 19 1-5.
uthern Railway Spencer Co.—Out.
lantic Co., No. 1, Newberne.—Out.
dges and Timers.—E. P. Baily, F. T. Mills, S. J. Davis.

HOOK AND LADDER CONTESTS.

nston Hook and Ladder Company.—Time 50 2-5.
heville " " " " " 51 2-5.
oenix " " " " Columbia, Time.—56 4-5.

HORSE HOSE WAGON COMPANY.

noghan Co., No. 2, Sumter, S. C.—Time 38 2-5.
lgar Squad.—Time 37 1-5.
lependent Co., No. 1, Columbia, S. C.—Time 37 3-5.
lmetto Co., No. 2.—Time 38 3-5.
ldsboro Co., No. 1.—Time 39 3-5.
lson Hose Co.—Time 43 1-5.
ipse Co., No 1., Goldsboro.—Out.
lges and Timers.—E. P. Baily, S. J. Davis, F. T. Mills.

ULES GOVERNING TOURNAMENTS AND RACES HELD UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE ASSOCIATION.

RULE I.

There shall be held annually an Association Tournament, such time and place as the Association shall from time to ne direct, at which Tournament, and no other, the cham-onship of the various branches of the firemen's service shall contested for.

All Tournaments shall be under the auspices of the Asso-tion, but the arrangements shall be made by the firemen l citizens at the place at which it is to be held.

RULE II.

SECTION 1. Champion prizes, other than money prizes, ll be the property of the Association, subject to their call l control, but will be in possession of the champion Com-nies until within ten days of the meeting of the Associa-n, when it shall be returned to the Secretary, and by him in safe keeping until the day of the races, and then he ll place the same in the hands of the judges of the race for ich prize is offered bofore the Companies start in said e.

SEC. 2. The Association shall have power to suspend any npany from participating in any Annual Tournament.

SEC. 3. All Companies, members of the Association, can test for prizes at the Annual Tournament, unless suspen-

SEC. 4. All prizes hereafter offered for contest at the An-l Tournament of the Association, for which there has

been no competition, shall revert to the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, to be by said Association devoted to the purchase of permanent Association Championship prizes to be competed for as provided for in the preceeding section.

RULE III.

SECTION 1. The Captains of the competing teams shall select Judges and Time-Keepers, at each Annual Tournament, who shall decide each and every contest which takes place at said Tournament. That no one shall serve as a Judge in any of the contests who is not a resident of the State of North Carolina, and who is a member of a competing Company taking part in these contests, and the decision of these Judges shall be final.

RULE IV.

SECTION 1. Any Company attempting to win a prize by fraud, deception or foul play, or in any dishonorable way, or who shall disobey or infringe upon or evade any of the requirements of these Rules, shall forfeit any prize won thereby, and shall be subject to suspension or expulsion.

SEC. 2. None but regular organized Companies, who have been organized as such at least thirty days prior to the Annual Tournament, and are members of this Association, can compete for any championship, and no person shall be allowed to run with or assist any Company in any contest who has not been a member of said Company at least thirty days prior to such contest.

SEC. 3. No Company shall be allowed more than one trial in any contest.

RULE V.

SECTION 1. Every person taking any part in any contest requiring running shall be required to start with his Company from the starting point.

EC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Starting Judges to each team by saying, "Are you ready?" after which a l will be fired or an electric bell sounded, and time taken these.

C. 3. All contestants in races must be decently clothed. Executive Committee to decide.

RULE VI.

CTION 1. The Strat and Outcome Judges in any con- hall, by means of flag signals, signify the readiness for rt prior to any run.

C. 2. Timers must be placed at the Outcome and time be settled by them before reporting to the Judges, and must report their readiness to Judges at Outcome be- ach team is started.

RULE VII.

CTION 1. The names of the contestants in each team, he names of not more than four substitutes in each must be handed to the Secretary of the Association to the contest, and such list must be accompanied by a icate from the Foreman and Secretary of the Depart- to which the team belongs that such parties are actual ers in good standing in said Department.

C. 2. In case of a tie being made by teams in any con- he Judges shall immediately order such teams to run and such run shall decide the contest.

RULE VIII.

CTION 1. All Hand Reel races shall be run on the sec- ay of Tournament.

C. 2. The town, at which Tournament is held, shall

be required to have attached to a hydrant at which runs made, a pressure guage that the water pressure may be s at all times.

RULES GOVERNING HOSE COMPANIES.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP CONTESTS.

SECTION 1. Any cart capable of carrying 500 feet of re ulation hose may be used. Number not to exceed sixte men and a Foreman.

SEC. 2. Hose race, wet or dry, distance to hydrant 2 yards, lay 300 feet of hose, uncouple, put on pipe, time to called when pipe is dropped to the ground in dry run, a when water leaves the pipe in wet run, carts not to carry le than 350 fee of hose reeled into one continuous line. Co panies not to exceed sixteen men and a Foreman.

SEC. 3. The Association shall purchase an electric starting apparatus, which shall be used in starting races of the Association. The apparatus to be between t wheels in four-wheel apparatus, and beyond the reel in re races.

SEC. 4. Pipe to be carried on cart or by pipeman fro the start. Pipe shall be of such style or pattern as tea may select, *provided always,* they are suitable for active ser ice. *No coupling other than standard screw couplings sh be allowed.*

SEC 5. No man to start ahead of leaders or to fall in a assist in dragging the apparatus after the start.

SEC. 6. No professional runner will be allowed to co pete in any contest. The term, "professional runner," applied to one who has or is following racing as a profess

means of livelihood, and common reputation shall be emed conclusive evidence of such profession, which shall determined by the Executive Committee.

SEC. 7. All couplings used must be standard screw coupgs, eight threads to the inch, and adopted to two and e-half inch fire hose; the hose on each coupling not to be orter than forty-eight feet.

SEC. 8. All work must be done by hands or spanner.

SEC. 9. Snap, spring and unproportioned couplings, or attachment to couplings to assist in breaking or making, RRED.

SEC. 10. When time is called, competitors must step back Judges to examine. Judges must chalk pipe and coupgs before moving, then turn pipe off to see that it takes required three turns to disconnect.

EC. 10. That the Association, at is meeting previous to time such Championship Race shall come off, shall elect e Judges, one Timekeeper and one whose duty it shall o take charge of the Race under the above rules and re- the results to the Scretary as soon as the Race is over.

HAND HOOK AND LADDER CONTESTS.

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rucks to be weighed and one man allowed to every seven-ve (75) pounds—Captain and Ladderman not included the running team, but to run in the contest.

istance to be run, one hundred (100) yards—take off raise one ladder, (which must not be less than thirty feet long, man to ascend and touch top piece of ladder descend, replacing ladder. Ladder must be raised by —no hooks or poles allowed.

o less than two entries required.

RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING MONEY PRIZE

STEAMER CONTEST.

QUICK STEAM FROM START TO FINISH.

Two entries required.

Engine to come to starting point, hitched up. To run 200 yards, take suction, attach hose and throw water 50 feet from nozzle through not less than 98 feet of hose.

Time for firing engine optional after signal to start is given. Driver, Engineer and Stroker to ride on engine. Hose wagon to follow with not more than six men, exclusive of driver. Time to be taken from starting signal until water goes over the 50-feet line. Quantity and quality of fuel optional.

QUICK STEAM—TWO TO ENTER.

Steamer to come to cistern empty and cold; to be filled with cold water until the engineer running the engine says "stop"; fuel to be furnished by the Judges, and must be the same as fired with in case of fire (either wood or coal and not over one-half gallon of alcohol or oil). Time to be taken from pistol shot, and to throw water 50 feet, through not less than 48 feet of hose. That the stack on engines in all contests from this time forward shall not exceed two feet.

DISTANCE—TWO TO ENTER.

Steamer throwing water the greatest distance; with not over 100 pounds of steam, through not less than 48 feet of hose, size of nozzle optional.

The steam guage of each engine to be tested by all competing engineers prior to contest.

HAND REEL CONTEST.

TWO TO ENTER

Sixteen men and a Foreman allowed.
Reel not to carry less than 148 feet of standard two and e-half inch hose; to be connected on the start as when dy for duty at fires (three full threads); to run 150 yards, reel not less than 98 feet of hose, attach same to plug, ew pipe to hose (any size nozzle), throw water in quick- time. Water to show opposite or beyond the hydrant, Company shall be ruled out. The plug must be closed, on three threads, at the time of the Company starting on run, and shall be opened by the Wrenchman running h the Company. No traps or snaps couplings allowed.
The hose must be let go as soon as attached to the plug. he butt is blown off the Company shall be ruled out. No plings shall be used without nipples.
No Company shall be allowed to assist another. In the , each Company is required to furnish a roll of its mem- s to Secretary of the Association on the morning of the t day, as early as possible. Fifteen minutes will be al- ed each Company after the Judge's signal for ready, and Company failing to start within that time shall be ruled . Two entries required. No one allowed inside the es except the Company making the run. The Company king the best time wins the first prize. No Company wed to enter more than one team.

GRAB RACE CONTEST.

ompany to run 50 yards, grab reel and run 50 yards to g, unreel not less than 48 feet of hose, attach same to and throw water—drag rope to be up or down (optional

with Company). Plug must be closed when Company start to run same as the Reel Contest. Coupling to be broken opposite or beyond the plug. Should butt or nozzle blow off Company to be ruled out.

HAND TRUCK HOOK AND LADDER RACE.

Companies allowed one man to every 75 pounds, exclusive of Ladderman and Captain. Must run 100 yards, take off and raise one ladder (which must be not less than 30 feet long), man to ascend and touch top piece or round of ladder and descend, replace ladder.

Ladders must be raised by hand. No hooks or poles allowed.

No less than two entries allowed.

HOOK AND LADDER CONTEST—HORSE TRUCK.

TWO TO ENTER.

Companies allowed one- or two-horse truck. Trucks to be weighed. Weight for one horse not less than 1,500 pounds, *exclusive of driver and men;* for two horses not less than 2,600 pounds. Horse or horses to be hitched to truck, rear wheels on starting line, and run 300 yards; take off one 30-foot ladder, man to ascend and touch top piece or round of ladder and descend; replace ladder on truck in same position as when removed. Ladder must be raised by hand. No hooks or poles allowed. Not less than two entries allowed. Not more than sixteen men allowed, exclusive of driver and ladderman.

HORSE REEL RACE.

TWO TO ENTER.

mpanies allowed the use of any four-wheeled Hose Car- or Wagon, either one or two horse, to carry not less 350 feet standard two and one-half inch hose; Carriage agon to be weighed; weight for one horse not less than pounds, *exclusive of driver and men;* for two horses ess than 288 feet of hose, break coupling and attach r, buttman and coupling breaker shall ride on Carriage agon, horse or horses to be standing hitched to Hose age or Wagon, and run 200 yards to hydrant, unreel ess than 228 feet of hose, break coupling and attach nd show water; water must show within 50 feet of 288 ine; hose to be reeled on Carriage or placed in Wagon, cted with three full threads. The pulg must be closed time of the Company starting, and cannot be opened ose is first started to be unreeled. Companies allowed en in addition to those who ride, and can be placed in osition as desired. Time taken from first signal until shows. If butt or pipe blows off, Company shall be out.

E HUNDRED YARD FOOT RACE CONTEST.

n to run 100 yards. Two men to be selected by the in of each Company. The one making the best time he prize.

OTHER EVENTS.

SACK RACE.

Contestants to be enveloped in bags to the neck, run yards. All persons entering must run at the same time.

BARROW RACE.

To run 50 yards. Contestants to be blindfolded. T one coming nearest the mark wins the prize.

GENERAL RULES.

All contestants will be required to take part in the para unless excused for satisfactory reasons, same to be made writing.

In no case will a second trial be allowed.

Each Company's run will be decided by lot.

Captains will select all Judges on the morning of the co tests.

All competing Companies must furnish the Judges wi wieght of apparatus—to be weighed on city scales.

Companies wishing couplings—city standard, eig threads to the inch—will be furnished with the same on a plication to the Chief of Fire Department.

Hose will be furnished on the day of contest if desired.

No person will be allowed to enter any of the contests u less he is a *bona fide* member of the Company with which enters.

N. B.—Judges must be governed by the above RULE as no changes will be allowed under any circumstances.

ACT TO INCORPORATE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

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it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly Convened:

SECTION 1. That C. D. Benbow, J. G. Fowler, H. J. m, A. T. Boyd, C. F. Thomas, J. R. Donnell, Charles ittington and S. D. Wilson, of Greensboro; J. D. McNeill, Fayetteville; J. T. Thacker, W. F. Keith, S. A. Sink, C. Snipes, F. H. Vogler, F. C. Meinung, of Winston-Salem; B. Englehard, T. W. Blake, F. H. Lumsden and F. Bra-, of Raleigh; H. E. Heartt, of Durham; J. B. Swinson, of rlotte, and such other persons as are associated with m, and their successors, be, and they hereby are, consti-d a body politic and corporate by the name of the North olina State Fireman's Association, and by that name sue be sued, and prosecute and defend suits in all courts in State, and may have and use a common seal, and alter the e at pleasure. May take contracts and be capable in law urchasing, holding and conveying any real or personal te for the benefit of said Association or corporation, *vided,* the said corporation shall not at any time hold real personal estate of a greater amount than ten thousand ,000) dollars.

EC. 2. The purposes for which said Association is or-zed are: The protection and the promotion of the best ests of the firemen of North Carolina, the compilation re statistics the collection of information concerning practical workings of different systems of organizations, xamination and inquiry concerning the merits of the dif-nt kinds of apparatus in use and the improvements in

the same, the cultivation of a fraternal fellowship betwe the different Companies of the State.

Sec. 3. Said Association or corporation shall have pow to appoint officers, hold meetings, adopt a Constitution a enact such By-Laws in such manner as their Constituti may prescribe, and make such rules and regulations as m be necessary to carry into effect the objects and aims of t Association; *provided*, that such Constitution and By-Law rules and regulations be not repugnant to the Constituti of the State and of the United States.

Sec. 4. That this act shall be in force from and after ratification.

Ratified the 11th day of March, A. D. 1889.

RTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

PREAMBLE.

Ve, the members of the North Carolina State Firemen's sociation, in order to form a more perfect organization, ablish harmony of action, insure prosperity and success, vide pecuniary support, secure protection and promote best interest of the Firemen of North Carolina, and com- statistics of information concerning the practical work- of various systems and the merits of the different appa- is in use for the extinguishing of fires, also the cultivation raternal fellowship between the several Fire Departments he State, do hereby establish the following Constitution By-Laws:

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

CONSTITUTION.

ARVICLE I.

ECTION 1. This organization shall be known as the th Carolina State Firemen's Association.

ARTICLE II.

ECTION 1. The officers of this Association shall consist President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Sta- ian, and they shall constitute the Executive Committee, will hold their respeceive offices for one year, or until successors shall be elected and qualified.

SEC. 2. The officers shall be elected at the annual meet ing of the Association by ballot, the successful candidate t receive a majority of the votes cast.

ARTICLE III.

SECTION 1. The members of this Association shall con sist of the several Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs of Fire De partments, Fire Marshalls, Superintendents of Fire Alarm Telegraph and Waterworks, and eech regular organized Fir Company in the several Fire Departments of the State, sai persons and Companies complying with the provisions of th Constitution and By-Laws of this Association; all individua mambers of such Fire Company shall, also, by virtue of thei membership in such Company, be members of this Associa tion for the purpose of participating in the benefits of th Association, and the funds distributed by it, so long as sai Company remains a member of this Association and com plies with the Constitution and By-Laws, and no longer But should any member fail to pay his *pro rata* assessment when called for, he shall be debarred from the privileges o this Association.

SEC. 2. Any member injured or made sick by disease c n tracted in the actual discharge of his duty, as a Fireman shall be entitled to the benefits from the "Firemen's Relie Fund" of this Association, as follows: At the rate of tw ($2.00) dollars while totally unable to attend to his ordi nary business by reason of such injury or sickness, but suc beneficiary, arising from any particular injury or sickness shall not lose time longer than *one hundred* days fron date of such injury, or beginning of such disability create by such sickness; but when partially disabled may receiv $1.00 per day for not exceeding twenty days; but the Execu tive Committee may extend such benefits to the next annua meeting of the Association held next after the expiration o said period of one hundred days, and the Association at th

nual meeting will, at its pleasure, determine the time for ich such benefits may be received. That 10 per cent. be ducted from all claims for benefits, and placed to the credit the General Fund to defray expenses of the same. In case death from such sickness or injury, this Association shall to the widow of the deceased $250.00 and $50.00 for eral expenses, and in case the deceasd should have no relaes, this amount shall be paid into the treasury of the Comy of which he was a member. Every person or Company gible and desiring to become a member of this Associa- shall make application to the Secretary, and at the same e pay to the Secretary the prescribed membership fee, and reupon, if such applicant be eligible, he shall become a nber of this Association.

SEC. 3. Every Fire Company in the State, which is a nber of the Association, shall, on or before the first day August in each year, elect two delegates and, also, two rnates, to serve for the ensuing year, with the Chief Eneer and First Assistant of the various departments as deltes at large, who are entitled to one vote each. They ll be beneficiary members of the Association and shall w on our beneficiary roll.

EC. 4. All Companies represented in this Association t be in full accord and in good standing in the Fire Dement where they are located, and if at any time they are so, they shall forfeit all right to membership in this Asation; but that Companies who retire from actice service a term of not more than two years shall be considered led to all privileges of the Convention.

ARTICLE IV.

ECTION 1. The annual meeting of the Association shall eld at such time and place, in each and every year, as the cutive Committee may select, as a majority of the mempresent of the Association shall designate, and special

meeting may be called by the President or a majority of th Executive Committee.

SEC. 2. A failure to hold any annual meeting at the tim designated in the Constitution shall in no wise make a disso lution of the Association.

SEC. 3. The Executive Committee shall meet at such time and place as they may decide, on a call of the Presiden or a majority of said Committee.

ARTICLE V.

SECTION 1. If any vacancy shall occur by reason o death, resignation of office or membership of any officer of this Association, such vacancy may be filled by the Execu tive Committee for the unexpired term for which said o ficer was elected.

ARVICLE VI.

SECTION 1. This Association shall have power to alter amend or revise this Constitution and By-Laws, but it shal be necessary for a two-thirds vote of the members of the As sociation present *entitled to vote: provided,* the propose amendment shall be submitted in writing at a previous meet ing of the Executive Committee.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the President to pre side over the meetings of the Association and to sign al orders duly granted by the Association or Executive Com mittee.

SEC. 2. It shall be he duty of the Vice-President to per form all the duties of the President in his absence.

EC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a plete record of the proceedings of the Asociation, to ive and answer all communications pertaining to the As- ation. To keep a roster of the names of the different ipanies composing the Association and the individual ibership thereof, and to collect the initiation fee and per ta tax, to pay the same over to the Treasurer, taking receipt therefor. He shall receive as compensation for services $100 per annum, to be paid quarterly by war- on the Treasurer, signed by the President.

EC. 4. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys collected ie Secretary and receipt to him for the same. He shall ct annually from the State Treasurer the amount ap- riated by the Legislature for the Firemen's Relief Fund. hall disburse no moneys except on order of the Presi- or by instruction of the Association in annual meeting nbled. At the annual meeting he shall make a full re- of all moneys received and distributed by him, and shall ite a bond to the State of North Carolina to the amount ,000, to be approved and filed with the Treasurer of the State of North Carolina, and shall make a detaled report e said Treasurer of the yearly expenditures of the Fire- s Relief Fund. He shall execute a bond in the sum of to this Association for the security of the General Fund bond must be approved by the Executive Committee. hall receive $150 compensation as annual salary, to be quarterly by warrant issued by the Secretary and signed e President.

EC. 5. It shall be the duty of the Statistician to correctly ile the statistics of each village and city in the State, of atters pertaining to the fire service, annually correcting revious reports, which shall include everything of in- to our Firemen, and be so arranged as to be compre- ve in every detail. The expenses of all printing, printed r and postage necessary in the sending for and receiv- such information to be paid by the Association, and he receive $25 annually for his services.

SEC. 6. The duty of the Executive Committee shall b to have published the proceedings of the Asociation, t transact all business of the Association during the time inte vening between the annual meetings, and they shall const tute a Board of Trustees for the management of all funds o the Association. At all meetings of the Executive Commi tee a majority of the Committe shall constitue a quorum, an a majority of such quorum may determine all questions.

ARTICLE II.

SECTION 1. Each Company shall pay a membership fe of five dollars, and fifty cents per capita yearly thereafter i anvance, for dues; and each Chief, Assistant Chief, Fir Marshal and Superintendent of Fire Alarm Telegraph, an Water Works shall pay one dollar annual dues in advance The Secretary of the Association shall be exempt from th payment of annual dues.

SEC. 2. The annual dues shall be paid on or before th first day of January in each year, in advance for the ensuing year. And all members who fail to comply with this Sec tion shall, thereupon, and by reason of such failure, cease to be members of this Association and cannot again become members except by a new application, made in regular form and paying the prescribed fee for membership.

SEC. 3. Any individual or Company, members of this Association, who, at any time, fail to act in a gentlemanly manner, may, upon charges being brought before the Asso- ciation, be expelled from said Association by a majority vote of the membership.

SEC. 4. Any exempt Firemen may, upon the payment of two dollars and of the regular annual dues, become a mem- ber of this Association, with all the rights and privileges of any other member.

ARTICLE III.

ECTION 1. All members sick or injured in the line of duty shall be entitled to the benefits from the Firemen's ief Fund of this Association as follows: At the rate of dollars each day, while unable to attend to their regular ness, as provided for in the Constitution. That 10 per . be deducted from all claims for benefits, and placed to credit of the General Fund to defray expenses of the e.

EC. 2. In case of death from sickness or injury received he performance of fire duty, $250.00, and $50.00 for eral expenses.

EC. 3. For the widow; in case there is no widow, to children; if there is no child or children, to the mother he deceased Fireman, the sum of $250 and $50 for eral expenses; and in case there be no relatives, to be to the Treasurer of the Company of which he was a ıber.

EC. 4. The Chief, or Acting Chief, shall certify before agistrate or Notary Public, on blank form, in triplicate, ished by the Secretary, all particulars regarding each where a benefit is required, accompanied by the certifi- of the attending physician.

EC. 5. Applications for benefits shall be made to the etary, in compliance with forms to be furnished by him hat purpose, and shall be made within thirty days after ving the injury or contracting the disease complained out said time for making said application may be ex- ed by the Executive Committee for good cause shown.

C. 6. The action of the Association upon all questions may arise as to granting or referring relief and benefits, as to amount thereof and the person claiming, and as ental thereto, upon all questions relating to the right or

claims of membership, shall be final and conclusive, and the action of the Executive Committee upon said questions shall in like manner and extent be final and conclusive until the same be changed by the Asociation at its annual meeting.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The presiding officer shall preserve order and decorum; all questions of order shall be decided by him, subject to an appeal to the Association.

2. Every member when he speaks shall rise, standing in his place, addressing the presiding officer, and shall omit personalities, and confine himself to the question under debate.

3. When two or more members shall rise at once, the presiding officer shall name the one who shall speak first.

4. A member when called to order shall immediately sit down, unless permitted to explain by the chair. If there be no appeal, the decision shall be conclusive.

5. Every delegate shall vote, unless excused by the Association, but no delegate shall vote on any question in which he shall have a direct individual or pecuniary interest, and the President shall only vote in case of a tie.

6. The ayes and nays shall be taken and entered upon the minutes of the Association, if required by three delegates.

7. All business not provided for in these By-Laws shall be transacted according to the parliamentary rules that govern deliberative bodies. No less than the representatievs of five Companies shall constitute a quorum.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Call to Order .

Presentation of Credentials.

Reading of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting.

Collection of Dues.

Report of Officers and Committees.

Miscellaneous Business.

Volunteer Report of Fire Organizations.

Election of Officers.

Unfinished Business.

Adjournment.

AN ACT CREATING A RELIEF FUND FOR DISABLED FIREMEN

The General Assembly of North Carolina do Enact:

SECTION 1. That the sum of $2,500.00 be, and the san is hereby appropriated annually, and shall constitute a Fir men's Relief Fund, but in no case shall the said appropriati exceed one-half of the license tax levied and collected by tl State from Insurance Companies.

SEC. 2. That the Treasurer of the State shall pay tl amount constituting the Firemen's Relief Fund to the Trea urer of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association c the warrant of the Auditor of the State.

SEC. 3. That the money so paid in the hands of th Treasurer of the said North Carolina State Firemen's A sociation shall be known and remain as the Firemen's Reli Fund of North Carolina, and shall be used as a fund for tl relief of Firemen, members of the Association, who may b injured or rendered sick by disease contracted in the actu discharge of duty as Firemen, and for relief of widow children, and if there be no widow or children, then depen ent mothers of such Firemen killed or dying from disease s contracted in such discharge of duty to be paid in such ma ner and in such sums to such individuals of the classes here named and described as may be provided for and determin upon in accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws c said Association. Any such provisions and determinatio made pursuant to said Constitution and By-Laws shall b final and conclusive as to the persons entitled to benefits, ar as to the amount of benefit to be received, and no action law shall be maintained against said Association to enfor any claim or recover any benefit under this Act, or und the Constitution and By-Laws of said Association; but any officer or Committee of said Association omit or refu to perform any duty imposed upon him or them, nothi

rein contained shall be construed to prevent any proceed-
gs against said officer or Committee to compel him or them
perform such duty.

SEC. 4. The Treasurer of the North Carolina State Fire-
en's Association shall give a bond to the State of North
rolina, with good and sufficient sureties to the satisfaction
the Treasurer of the State of North Carolina in double of
sum received by him, said Treasurer, for the faithful per-
mance of his duties under this act, and shall make detailed
ort to the State Treasurer of the yearly expenditure of the
propriation under this act on or before the end of the fiscal
ar.

SEC. 5. The line of duty specified in Section 3 shall not
so construed as to mean any other duty except actual fire
ty, which shall consist of service in the fire department
m the time of the fire alarm until the members are dis-
ssed by the company officers at roll call; also any actual
duty connected with the fire department when directed to
form same by the officer in charge.

SEC. 6. That any fireman of good moral character in
rth Carolina, and belonging to an organized fire company,
o will comply with the requisitions of the Constitution
By-Laws of the North Carolina State Firemen's Asso-
ion, may become a member of said Association, and any
anized fire company in North Carolina, holding itself
dy for duty, may, upon compliance with the requisitions
aid Constitution and By-Laws, become a member of said
th Carolina State Firemen's Association.

EC. 7. That the provisions of this act shall apply to any
man who is a member of a regularly organized fire com-
y.

EC. 8. That this act shall be in force from and after its
ication.

atified this the 6th day of March, A. D., 1891.

AMENDMENT.

An act of the last Legislature reads as follows (see pa 41, Proceedings of 1893):

An act to amend Section 2, Chapter 868, Laws 1891.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That Section 2, Chapter 868, Laws 1891, amended to read as follows:

SEC. 2. That the Treasurer of the State shall pay amount constituting the Firemen's Relief Fund on the w rant of the Auditor, three-fourths to the Treasurer of North Carolina State Volunteer Firemen's Association, pr erly chartered by law. That the said Treasurer of North Carolina State Volunteer Firemen's Association sh give bond, and the said Association shall disburse the fu the same manner and under the same rules as in the No Carolina State Firemen's Association.

SEC. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after ratification.

Ratified March 6th, A. D. 1893.

AMENDMENT.

An act to amend Section 2, Chapter 474 of the Laws of 893.

he General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

SECTION 1. That Section 2, Chapter 474 of Laws 1893, amended as follows:

That the word three-fourths in line three, of said Section stricken out and the words one-fourth be inserted in lieu ereof.

SEC. 2. That this act be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 28th day of February, A. D. 1895.

LIST OF COMPANIES REPRESENTED.

Rescue Hook and Ladder Co	Asheville	Departme
Hose Co., No. 1	"	"
Charlotte Fire Co., No. 1	Charlotte	"
Charlotte Reel Team, No. 1	"	"
Pioneer Reel Team, No. 2	"	"
Eagle Hose Co., No. 4	Salem	"
Rough and Ready Fire Co	"	"
Eagle Hose Co., No. 7	Greensboro	"
Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 1	"	"
Westend Hose Co., No. 5	"	"
Greensboro Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	"	"
Southside Hose Co., No. 4	"	"
Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 2	Winston	"
Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 1	"	"
Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1	"	"
Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1	Wilmington	"
Hose Co., No. 3	"	"
Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 1	"	"
Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 2	"	"
Chemical Co., No. 1	"	"
Hose and Reel Co	Concord	"
Newbern Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 1	New Berne	"
Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 1	"	"
Wilson Fire Co., No. 3	Wilson	"
Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1	Tarboro	"
Hose Co., No. 1	Durham	"
Hose Co., No. 2	"	"
Chicora Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 1	Fayetteville	"
Fire Co. No. 1	Goldsboro	"
Eclipse Steam Fire Engine Co	"	"
Electric Reel Co	"	"
Hose Co., No. 1	Salisbury	"
Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1	"	"
Nelson Hose Co., No. 1	Henderson	"
Albemarle Fire Co	Elizabeth City	"
Fire Co., No. 1	Spencer	"
Phœnix Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1	Washington	"
Ocean Fire Company	"	"
Engine Co., No. 1	Rocky Mount	"

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ef, F. N. Taylor istant, W. R. Pleasants	Greensboro	"
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PTS. FIRE ALARMS—W. A. Cruse, Charlotte; J. T. Yates, Wilton; W. A. Ward. Asheville.

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W. A. Allison,
Newton Welch,
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Reece Champion,
Fred Springs,
Herman Rodiger,
Richard Zill,
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Geo. Misenheimer.
P. M. Cave,
Henry Roeidger.
J. T. Allison,

PIONEER REEL TEAM.

K. Blair,	J. F. Porter,	L. L. Pettus,
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ank Orr,	Chas. Wills,	J. F. Reid.

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s. Davis,	S. G. Rogers,	Sam'l Faircloth,
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I. Peddicord,	Frank Peddicord,	Jas. Linebach,
n Maddison,	Chas. Russell,	Harry Nissen.
. Mickey,	Walter Hege.	

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EAGLE HOSE CO. NO. 7.

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. Clark,	Wm. Smothers,	L. A. Wyrick,
Beall,	R. C. Whittington,	Harry Pozolt, Sec.
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. Cates,	L. A. Andrews,	Dave Sergeant,
. Mulligan,	W. W. Bain,	Chas. Corl,
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Chas. Lambeth,
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PROGRAMME.

TUESDAY, JULY 10.

Reception of delegates and visiting firemen.

11:00 A. M.—Convention called to order by the President.
Prayer.
Address of Welcome.
Response.
Regular Order of Business.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 11.

9:00 A. M.—Street Parade.
11:00 A. M.—Engine Contest, best time from start to finish.
3:00 P. M.—Horse Hose Wagon Race.
5:00 P. M.—Long Distance Contest, Engines.

THURSDAY, JULY 12.

9:00 A. M.—Championship Reel Team Contest.
11:00 A. M.—Junior Reel Team Contest.
12:00 M.—Quick Steaming Contest.
3:00 P. M.—Hand Reel Race.
5:00 P. M.—Grab Reel Race.

FRIDAY, JULY 13.—Interstate Day.

9:00 A. M.—Hand Reel Race.
11:00 A. M.—Grab Reel Race.
3:00 P. M.—Hook and Ladder Race.
4:00 P. M.—Horse Hose Wagon Race.

PRIZE LIST.

ENGINE CONTEST.

ick Steaming	New Berne	First Prize	$ 50.00
ick Steaming	Atlantic	Second Prize	25.00
ıg Distance	Winston.,	First Prize	50.00
ıg Distance	Rocky Mount	Second Prize	25.00
st Run, start to finish	New Berne	First Prize	50.00
st Run, start to finish	Atlantic	Second Prize	25.00

HORSE HOSE WAGON RACE.

st Prize	Goldsboro	100.00
ond Prize	New Berne	60.00
rd Prize	Wilson	40.00

HAND REEL CONTEST.

st Prize	Atlantic	100.00
ond Prize	Durham	60.00
rd Prize	South Side	40.00

GRAB REEL CONTEST.

st Prize	Atlantic	50.00
ond Prize	Durham, No. 2	30.00
rd Prize	Charlotte	20.00

JUNIOR HAND REEL CONTEST.

t Prize	Atlantic	25.00
nd Prize	Greensboro	15.00

INTERSTATE CONTEST.

HORSE HOSE WAGON RACE.

First Prize	Delgar	$100.0
Second Prize	Independent	60.0
Third Prize	Monoghan	40.0

HAND REEL CONTEST.

First Prize	Spencer	100.0
Second Prize	Independent	50.0
Third Prize	Palmetto	25.0

GRAB REEL CONTEST.

First Prize	Charlotte	60
Second Prize	Palmetto	40.0

HOOK AND LADDER RACE.

First Prize	Winston	150.0
Second Prize	Asheville	50.0

SPECIAL.

Best Uniformed Reel Team	Durham	25.
Department making best display	New Berne	25.

PROCEEDINGS

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sident—T. A. Green, Vice-President—Albert Kramer,
. and Treas.—J. W. Griffith, Statistician—F. H. Vogler.

ASHEVILLE MEETING, JULY 13-15, 1892.

sident—T. A. Green, First Vice-Pres.—Geo. S. Powell,
ond Vice-Pres.—Jas.D.McNeill, Sec. and Treas –J. W. Griffith.
istician—E. G. Parmelee.

WILMINGTON MEETING, JULY 26, 1893.

sident—T. A. Green, First Vice Pres.—Jas D. McNeill,
ond Vice-Pres.—E. G. Parmelee, Sec. and Treas.—J. W. Griffith.
istician—W. C. Craft.

WINSTON-SALEM MEETING, AUGUST 29-31, 1894.

sident—Jas. D. McNeill. First Vice-Pres.—E. G. Parmelee,
ond Vice-Pres.—F. H. Vogler, Secretary—J. W. Griffith,
asurer—T. A. Green, Statistician—B. T. Amerson.

NEWBERN MEETING, AUGUST 6-9, 1895.

sident—Jas. D. McNeill, Vice-President—E. G. Parmelee,
etary—J. W. Griffith, Treasurer—T. A. Green,
istician—B. T. Amerson.

SALISBURY MEETING, AUGUST 19-21, 1896.

ident—Jas. D. McNeill, Secretary—J. C. Michie,
t Vice-Pres.—E. G. Parmelee, Treasurer—T. A. Green,
nd V. Pres.—J. W. Griffith, Statistician—B. T. Amerson.

FAYETTEVILLE MEETING, AUGUST 3-5, 1897.

ident—Jas. D. McNeill, Secretary—J. C. Michie,
Vice-Pres.—E. G. Parmelee, Treasurer—T. A. Green,
nd Vice-Pres.—J. W. Griffith, Statistician—M. V. B. Capps.

GOLDSBORO MEETING, JULY 26-28, 1898.

President—Jas. D. McNeill,
First Vice-Pres.—J. J. Stone,
Second Vice-Pres.—C. L. Badger,
Secretary—J. W. Griffith,
Treasurer—T. A. Green,
Statistician—L. J. Taylor.

GREENSBORO MEETING, AUGUST 1-4, 1899.

President—Jas. D. McNeill,
First Vice-Pres.—H. L. Riggins,
Second Vice-Pres.—Robt. Douglas,
Secretary—J. W. Griffith,
Treasurer—T. A. Green,
Statistician—W. P. Monroe.

WILMINGTON MEETING, JULY 10-13, 1900.

President—Jas. D. McNeill,
First Vice-Pres.—H. L. Riggins,
Second Vice-Pres.—W. S. Orr,
Secretary—W. C. VonGlahn,
Treasurer—T. A. Green,
Statistician—L. J. Taylor.

CHARLOTTE MEETING, JULY 23-26, 1901.

President—Jas. D. McNeill,
First Vice-Pres.—H. L. Riggins,
Second Vice-Pres.—W. S. Orr,
Secretary—W. C. VonGlahn,
Treasurer—T. A. Green,
Statistician—L. J. Taylor.

COMMITTEES.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Consists of the President, First and Second Vice-Presidents, Secre
Treasurer and Statistician.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.

The President, EX-OFFICIO,
R. E. Lumsden, Raleigh,
J. J. Stone, Greensboro,
H. C. Fagg, Asheville,
D. Woodard, Wilson,
E. F. Creswell, Charlotte,
F. C. Meinung, Salem,
F. M. Miller, Goldsboro.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

L. J. Taylor, Newbern,
H. J. Elam, Greensboro,
Jno. L. Hare, Wilson,
J. T. Vines, Tarboro
W. M. Young, Henderson,
C. H. White, Raleigh,
John W. Gulick, Goldsboro.

STENOGRAPHER.

Miss Cornelia Shaw, Charlotte, N. C.

James D. McNeill,

President.

Elected 1894.

PROCEEDINGS.

The Thirteenth Annual Convention of the North Car-
a State Firemen's Association was convened at Char-
, N. C., on Tuesday, July 23, 1901, at 11 o'clock.

President McNeill:

LEMEN AND MEMBERS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIRE-
EN'S ASSOCIATION:

t becomes my pleasant duty, as president of your Association, to
his meeting to order, and I would ask all present to rise, while
Mr. Siler invokes the blessing of Divine Providence upon our de-
tions.

Rev. C, F. Siler:

h Thou Eternal God, Creator of all the earth and judge of all
grant Thy blessing upon this, the Thirteenth Annual Convention
North Carolina State Firemen's Association. We thank Thee
e progress which has been made in utilizing the forces of nature
their control, and yet how far are we from the accomplishment
y plans. Thou created man to have dominion over all the work
y hands. Thy glory is reflected in every drop of water, and there
expression of Thy judgment in every spark of fire. With the
ry of the terrible Jacksonville fire fresh in our minds, we pray
he time will soon come when every town and city will be so
ped that such disaster will be a thing of the past. We thank Thee
is Organization and for the purpose for which it was created, and
ay that Thou will wisely direct all the deliberations of this meet-
As Thou hast called these men to the high and sacred place of
guardians of the homes, and the protectors of the property of
pole, may their lives and their health be precious in thy sight,
ay they be specially the objects of Thy goodly care.
nd now, Oh God, Thou hast told us in Thy word that Thou wilt not
destroy this world with water, but that the earth and all things
n shall be burned; in that day there will be no other fire depart-
han Christ and the Holy Angels, and may we all be gathered
at City whose builder and maker is God; where there shall be
re sea and no more heat. And to the Father and to the Son, and
Holy Ghost we would ascribe praises through Jesus Christ our
forever. Amen.

President McNeill:

EMEN OF THE CONVENTION:

ave the pleasure of introducing to you His Honor, the Mayor of
tte—Mayor Brown.

Mayor BROWN :

GENTLEMEN AND MEMBERS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE
MEN'S ASSOCIATION :

I have the pleasure of introducing Mr. T. C. Guthrie, who w
tend to you a welcome on behalf of our city and our people.

MR. GUTHRIE :

MR. PRESIDENT AND GENTLEMEN OF THE NORTH CAROLINA
FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION :

Charlotte is under a solemn contract, duly signed, sealed a
livered by its former Mayor, by and with the advice and con
the Fire Department, the Board of Aldermen, and the citizens g
ly, to "throw the gates of the 'Queen City' wide open to you,
greet you with that cordiality for which its people are distingu
I am proud to say that I am before you today,commissioned by th
er authorities, to guarantee the strict and literal performance
contract. You are welcome to our midst; we are honored in
you within our gates, and we extend to you the glad hand.

No class of men has my more unbounded admiration and
than the firemen. The fire loss of the United States amounts t
than $150,000,000 a year. The fire loss of North Carolina repre
large sum of this vast amount. When I look out upon you and
how this immense waste would be doubled and trebled, but f
when I behold what a high class material enters into the comp
of your membership; when I consider that in times of emergen
disaster, the lives and property of your respective homes are i
hands, and dependent on your faithfulness and efficiency, I a
surprised that you are the pride of your communities, and I a
pressed as never before with a sense of your importance.

It is said that there are black sheep among all classes of men
army has had its traitors; even in that band of Revolutionary p
who won the independence of our glorious country, was found
edict Arnold; the bar has its shysters; the bench has furnished
reys for the execration of mankind; in the ministry, sometim
erring brother falls from grace; I have heard of a policeman who
ed his beat changed because there was so much noise and distu
that he could not sleep more than half the time he was on du
where is the man who has ever seen or heard of a fireman who w
faithful or backward in the discharge of his duty. The fire-plu
freeze; the water-supply may fail; the hose may burst; the engi
refuse to work, but the fireman is always at his post, at any h
the day or night, ready and eager to risk—nay lose—his life in
the lives and property of others. No motive of selfishness fu
his incentive; his work is for others, and faithfulness to duty
watch-word and his reward,

History and song have immortalized many heroes for their c
and bravery. Leonidas and his 300 soldiers at the pass of Ther
lae; Sir Philip Sidney giving his glass of water to the dying
when he himself was parched with thirst; Crocket, Travis and
who with 136 men held the Alamo and San Antonio against the
Mexican army, and gave their lives for Texan Independence, a
commemorated in that eloquent sentence "Thermopylae had thre
sengers of defeat, the Alamo had none;" Admiral Grau, who in t

een Chile and Peru, surrendered his life rather than surrender his and is so uniquely remembered by his countrymen, that at every all of the Peruvian Naval forces, his name is first called on the and an officer stepping forward, points upward and answers, ent, but accounted for; he is with the heroes;" Hobson and his who took their lives in their hands at Santiago—all these and others I might mention, are world-famous. But I say to you that men did nothing but what firemen do as a matter of every-day ess; risked or gave their lives in the discharge of their duty.

Here in North Carolina, we are prone to be negligent in preserv- nd publishing to the world what we do and what we are. Our st flowers are often suffered to blush unseen, and fade and die, sometimes it is hard to prove that we possess any flowers at all. association will be doing a good work for its members and for ate if it will record, and preserve and publish the brave and he- eeds of its members. Tell them just as they happened; paint as they are—instances of uncomplaining endurance and unselfish sm, of duty performed in the face of danger—record and publish I say, as an act of justice to those who wrought them, and as an ple and an incentive to those who shall come after you. There monopoly of heroism among soldiers and sailors. There is no crary of bravery and courage, and firemen are entitled to recog- for their achievements.

ne feature of your program is unique: I refer to your contests— aments, I believe you call them. I have thought what a ridicu- hing it would be if the lawyers at their gatherings were to go to ing for a prize against each other; or suppose the doctors were gage in a pill-swallowing contest; or the dentists in teeth-pulling; bankers in leg-pulling; or if the undertakers were to have as a e of their annual meetings, a tournament of events in the line ir professional duties. But there is nothing out of place in these sts of yours. On the contrary, much good is accomplished by they promote your pride in your work, stimulate your zeal and rage a spirit of friendly emulation, and give to your gatherings a interest which attaches to the meetings of no other body of men state

ow Mr. President and Gentlemen: I want it understood, that iting firemen are also included, you are heartily and cordially me to Charlotte. The latch string hangs on the outside; you are hands of your friends, and if you don't see what you want, ask I hope your sessions here will be pleasant and profitable to you n sure they will to us.

Turn on the hose."

President McNeill:

AYOR, MR. SPEAKER, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

low me in behalf of the Association, to extend to the city of Char- through yourselves, our warm and hearty appreciation of your us welcome. This is not the first time Mr. Speaker, that this ation has met in Charlotte. The memory of those days are still the most pleasant ones of our lives. We know what it is to o Charlotte. When I read that cordial invitation, in July of last xtended to us by my friend, Mayor McCall, I saw at once, from es of the delegates before me, that the thing was settled—that tte was going to have the next meeting. I had met your chival-

rous Orr and other citizens of your hospitable town, and I knew to expect. As individuals and as companies, we had joined in 20th of May celebrations, and we knew that we were coming queen city of North Carolina.

Now, Mr, Mayor, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen, I w introduce to you the Mayor of the city of Winston, who will re on behalf of the Firemen of the Western part of the State; Eaton, the Honorable Mayor of Winston, N. C.

Mayor EATON ·

MR. PRESIDENT, AND GENTLEMEN OF THE NORTH CAROLINA MEN'S ASSOCIATION AND LADIES:

I esteem it a privilege and a very great pleasure, to meet wi body of men, representing a great and growing organization, o which the State is proud; and each indivdual community from they come feels a special interest.

Little did I think, Mr. President, when our boys invited me company them on this trip, that I would be called upon to r speech. I had hoped to be one of the boys—one of the firemen ticipating in all the pleasures of the occasion. Thinking that a man's Creed was to act and not to talk, I have learned this m that to obey is an inexorable law, so I have felt it to be my du behalf of our gallant boys—the firemen of Western North Carol respond in some way to Mr. Guthrie's sincere and cordial welco

I recognize this as an occasion of more than ordinary inte the firemen of the State. It is not only a release from business but it offers them an opportunity to meet and mingle with each and gives them an opportunity to broaden their sphere of activi

This is an important gathering, and you, firemen, are p benefactors to your State, in that you save life and property, an that blessed assurance of safety and protection that cannot be en by shot and shell.

This meeting has been anticipated with great interest and pl by our boys. They knew Charlotte's reputation for old-fas Southern hospitality; they knew of her progressive, pushing, business life and energy which has won for her the proud appe of the queen city of the State, and that she never forgets the st within her gates. We feel proud of the privilege of meeting i a splendid city, with such generous and hospitable people. Wo but ill convey the genuine appreciation we feel for the cordial ing you have extended to us.

It seems to me, Mr, Mayor, that it is eminently fitting f State Firemen's Association to meet upon the soil made famo Mecklenburg's Immortal Declaration of Independence. No bra more self-sacrificing men tread the earth than those who resp the fire alarms. Constant, ever vigilant, and an active and train distinctly know 'by the jangling and the wrangling, how the ebbs and flows,' and with heroism that knows no danger, fac storm and night, and beats back the flame from the cottage do saves life and property. Such heroism is akin to that which wr Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, shouldered the m marched to the scene of the conflict and wrung from a furious our inheritance of liberty. The same indomitable spirit of loy duty, under any and all circumstances, characterize the firem North Carolina.

Henry L. Riggins,

First Vice-President.

Elected 1899.

Ir. President, I hope it will be pardonable for me to say that the ompanies of Winston and Salem and of Western North Carolina, the gallant chiefs and captains to every private in the ranks are osed of men of sterling worth, who respond nobly and grandly to call of duty, whether in fighting fire, or battling with the difficult erious problems of life.

shall always remember it as one of the great pleasures of my life, uthrie, that it was my privilege to respond on behalf of the fire- of Western North Carolina, to your beautiful and eloquent ad- of welcome. We are glad to be here; we accept the glad hand ave extended to us with a warmth that will assure you as to our y appreciation. We feel at home, and we will carry away with easant recollections of our visit. I thank you President McNeill:

President McNeill:

think it is fitting, after the reponse from Mayor Eaton, that we l have a reponse from the Eastern portion of the State, and I ask my colleague, Treasurer Green, to respond on behalf of Eas- orth Carolina.

Treasurer Green:

Iayor, Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen:

behalf of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, it ne great pleasure to accept the generous hospitality which has xtended to this body.

ad the pleasure, on the 20th of May, 1876, of being in the city of tte. We had with us then the noblest and greatest man that Carolina has produced. He has since gone to his reward. He ssed over the river and is with the heroes. I refer to Zebulon ce.

ce then I have not visited the city of Charlotte until this meet- Iow it has grown and expanded! Splendid, beautiful massive gs have sprung up. It gives me pleasure to see in any city of Carolina, men who have the pluck and energy to build such a the the gate city of the Old North State.

s a pleasure to the firemen to accept your hospitality. These are good men; it has been said that firemen are sometimes these men come from good homes and good families; they have have a good time, and to no grander city in our State could me.

are here as firemen. To-morrow we will show you what we and the next day—the same thing. We hope we will please d that you will have kind recollections of our stay—that you member us as men, not rough, but gentlemen who stand upon nor, integrity and upon their citizenship.

accept your hospitality, and hope and pray that we may not ou feel sad, or have any regretful rememberance of our stay in idst.

President McNeill:

MEN OF THE ASSOCIATION:

have with us, one of Charlotte's ex-Mayors, who is with us as te from Charlotte. He has been very felicitous upon former

occasions, and I would move out of the regular order of the exer and ask the ex-Mayor and delegate to the Firemen's Association is one of the boys, to address the Convention—Ex-Mayor McCall

MR. MCCALL:

MR. PRESIDENT, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN:

I picked up the Charlotte Observer a few days ago and saw had been elected a delegate to this Convention, at a meeting he night before. I was not a candidate. I usually am. I want to my friends of the Firemen's Association that I hope they will no me as a delegate to the fire department of the world to come, as I a a candidate. I would also advise them to avoid that country. will be greatly handicapped there; there is no water there, and dry town.

I asked Swinson what I must say. "Just tell them that the in Charlotte are glad to see them." Mr. Guthrie has eloquentl beautifully expressed the sentiments of Charlotte on behalf Mayor. I will say that Charlotte is a progressive, pushing tow pushed me out and pushed Brown in. Charlotte is always on t grade; she is always doing better, and hence, you see, we hav changed Mayors. As brother Guthrie said, we extended last ye invitation to the North Carolina State Firemen's Association to in Charlotte, and we are here to see that the spirit of that invita carried out; if it is not carried out in letter and spirit, I hereby Mayor Brown that I will run for Mayor next year.

We are glad you are here; if we had not wanted you we wou have asked you; Charlotte means exactly what she says. I know what assistance I can be to you, as I am not Mayor, but gone to practicing law, and if any of you gentlemen should be str lightening, or get outside of too much———I can not assure yo you will get off by the payment of a penny and the cost, but if gal services will be of any benefit to you, you may rest assured will appear for you before Charlotte's Recorder, and not charge cent. We want you to enjoy yourselves; we have the best str system between Washington and Alanta, and the prettiest wo the world. You will see them to-morrow. I am sorry my wife be there.

There is no department of life that furnishes greater examp heroism than that of the fire department, and no city in the sta a braver set of firemen than Charlotte. I have seen W. S. Or Swinson and Alderman Tom Garibaldi, actually take their li their hands; I have stood awed, when I saw the ex-Chief of climb up a ladder into the very flames of fire for the purpose of some advantage to the crowd below; there is as much heroism at as on the battle field. I have seen Tom Garibaldi enter a b building when it looked as if he could never come out aliv he did, and the building was saved. We would all make Sch we would all make Deweys, if we only had the opportunity. N in the Union has finer examples of manhood and courage than th of North Carolina, and in no department in the State is this so brought forth, as in the fire departments of the various cities. are the poorest paid people in the State. When I was Mayor, to get the firemen's wages raised in Charlotte. You deserve a we can give you here; if you see anything you want, take it. I of the boys—do not think I am not, because I am not in the b

owing hair on top of my head, and if I had a hundred hands, on f of the firemen of Charlotte, I would extend them all to you, and ially to the women.

President McNeill ·

Ir. Mayor, their is another city in the Piedmont section of North ina that is trying to run Charlotte a race; it is well represented s Convention, and I would like for my friend, Mr. R. D. Douglass, eensboro, to respond to the remarks of ex-Mayor McCall.

Mr. Douglas :

President, Ladies and Gentlemen :

r. McNeill is a good friend of mine, but just between us two, I t think he has treated me exactly right—not in calling on me for ch, for I love to make a speech, but he has not given me time in to prepare a speech, but I shall speak but a minute.

he firemen knows no office hours; he knows no hours off duty; ours are twenty-four, and his duty is to fight fire any where and time, and I suppose I will have to speak to you in the same way. say certainly for myself, and I think I can say for every member various departments of the North Carolina State Firemen's Asion, that we appreciate very much indeed, the kind, generous and able welcome given us Mayor McCall has said that you would ve invited us if you had not wanted us. We wanted to come, we had not wanted to come, we would have stayed at home.

come from Greensboro, a town that is pushing Charlotte a mighe race, but we will be only too glad if Charlotte makes more a s of this tournament than we did; every city here represented ve every aid possible to make this tournament a grand success. eculiarly appropriate for us to meet in the city of Charlotte— s more so than in any other city in North Carolina. Years and go met here a brave and sturdy band of men who were to fight the most iniquitous tyrannies that the world has ever seen, who ed that they would stand that tyranny no longer,and would hence- e free. It is the first move that counts, and it was in Charlotte e first move was taken, and so it is particularly appropriate for eet on this soil. Following in the foot-steps of these brave e have declared and determined that the great element of fire o longer play havoc in our cities, and pledge our lives according- ose brave men in the city of Charlotte, took the lead in free dependent action, and the rest of America followed,

d so, Mr. Mayor, and the ladies and gentlemen of Charlotte, we you very much for your generous welcome; you are not strangs, though some of your faces we have never seen, the fame of tte's enterprising, progressive and brave, generous people has from one end of the State to the other. We have accepted your ion with pleasure, and feel certain that when we go back to our our stay in the queen city will be a tender spot in our memory, arlotte will be dear to every man present at this Association.

resident McNeill :

, Gentlemen and Visitors :

ould like to say to you that the deliberations of this Conven-

tion are open to all, and we will be glad to have any of you stay I hope that our meetings will not tire you. I will announce tha Convention is now ready for business.

A recess of five minutes was allowed, in order all delegates might supply themselves with badges.

President McNeill:

The Convention will now come to order, and the Secretary now call the roll, of Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs.

The following named Chiefs and Assistant Chie departments represented in the Association answere the roll call:

Charlotte—Chief W. W. Irwin; assistant, J. W. Wentz.
Salem—Chief F. C. Meinung; assistant, W. C. Grunert.
Greensboro—Chief F. N. Taylor.
Winston—Chief H. L. Riggins; assistant, J. B. MaCrairy.
Wilmington—Chief Chas. Schnibben.
Concord—Chief J. L. Miller; assistant, H. G. Ritz.
Newbern—Chief L. A. Taylor; assistant, J. G. Delmar.
Wilson—Chief Doan Herring.
Tarboro—Chief H. T. Day; assistant, A. T. Watson.
Raleigh—Chief L. H. Lumsden; assistant, W. Woolcott.
Durham—Chief J. Frank Maddry; assistant, W. H. Lewellyn.
Goldsboro—Chief T. H. Bain; assistant, R. A. Creech.
Salisbury—Chief C. P. Meroney; assistant, J. V. Wallace.
Henderson—Chief W. T. Whitten.
Elizabeth City—Chief A. C. Stokes; assistant, Chas. Reid.
Spencer—Chief J. T. Morgan.

President McNeill:

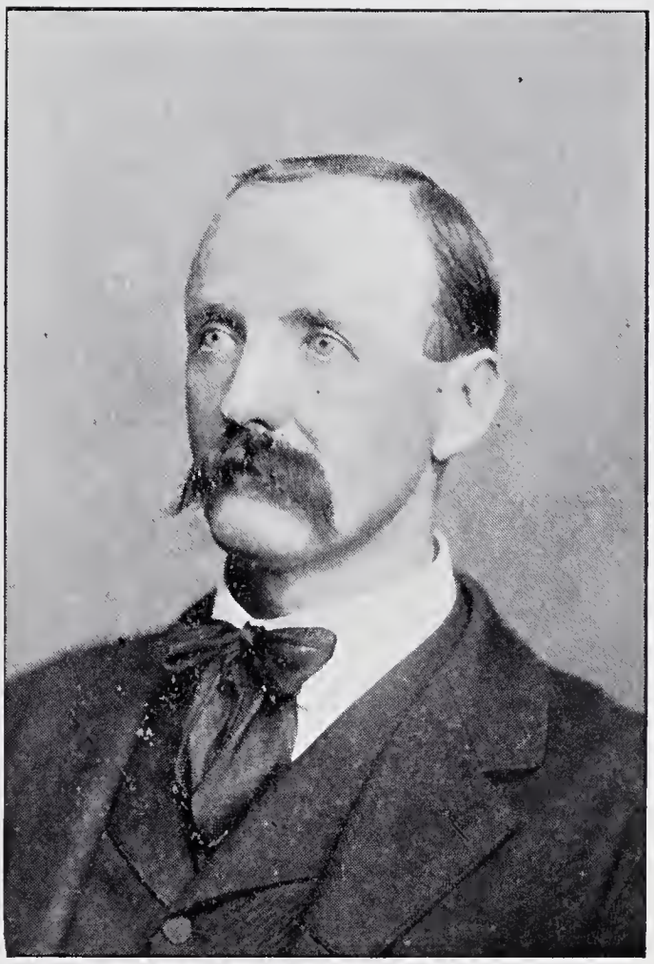
The gentlemen of the Convention will please give attention I announce the names of the Committee on Credentials:

The names are as follows:

F. W. Hilker, Goldsboro.
W. F. Richardson, Newbern.
Chas. Schnibben, Wilmington.
R. E. Lumsden, Raleigh.
A. J. Gales, Winston.
J. L. Miller, Concord.
B. G. Morse Washington.
J. F. Maddry, Durham.
Charles Reid, Elizabeth City.

And as the roll of Companies is called, all delegates present will hand in their Credentials to the desk.

Secretary VonGlahn called the roll of Compani follows:



W. S. Orr,

Second Vice-President.

Elected 1900.

sheville Department—Rescue Hook and Ladder Co., Hose Co.,

harlotte—Charlotte Fire Co., No. 1; Charlotte Reel Team, No. 1; er Reel Team, No. 2.
alem—Eagle Hose Co., No. 4; Rough and Ready Fire Co.
reensboro—Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 1; Westend Hose Co., No. ensboro Hook and Ladder Co,. No. 1; Southside Hose Co., No. 4.
Vinston—Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 2; Steam Fire Engine Co., Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1.
Vilmington—Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1; Hose Co., No. 3; Steam Engine Co., No. 1; Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 2; Chemical Co.,

oncord—Hose and Reel Co., Hose and Reel Co., No. 1.
ewbern—Newbern Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 1; Atlantic Steam Engine Co., No. 1.
Vilson—Wilson Fire Co., No. 3.
arboro—Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1.
urham—Hose Co., No. 1; Hose Co., No. 2.
ayetteville—Chicora Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 1; Fayetteville Department.
oldsboro—Fire Co., No. 1; Eclipse Steam Fire Engine Co.
alisbury—Hose Co., No. 1; Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1.
enderson— Nelson Hose Co,, No. 1.
lizabeth City— Albermarle Fire Co.
pencer—Fire Co., No. 1.

President McNeill :

any name has been omitted, and any delegate has his credentials pocket, he will kindly hand them in to the Secretary at once, so e same may be turned over to the Committee on Credentials.

Treasurer Green was called to the Chair.

Mr. McNeill :

have been requested by the citizens of Charlotte to say that if it incompatible with our business, on account of the great number members this Association who will like to attend the Ball Game ternoon, they would appreciate it if we would adjourn this meet- til 8:30 o'clock, and I see no reason why Secretary VonGlahn ese other ball cranks should not have this opportunity, therefore, adjournment until 8:30 to-night, when I hope we will have a full Carried.

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The Convention was call to order at 8:30 p. m. and eded at once to business.

President McNeill :

e first business before the Convention is the Report of the Com- on Credentials; the Secretary will read this Report.

ecretary VonGlahn :

The Committee on Credentials has not yet handed their rep
me.

President McNeill :

The next business before the Convention would be the readi
the Proceedings of the previous meeting, held in Wilmington,

Secretary VonGlahn made explanation as to the somewhat co
ed condition of the Minutes. and stated that the Stenographe
ed the same a Chinese Puzzle; he stated however, that there were
serious errors to which head nor tail could not be found.

Mr. Stone :

The copy was sent to me direct from the Stenographer; a
deal of it was mis-interpreted by her as she took it down in
hand, and our proof reader is not supposed to know anything
fire equipment. The printed minutes were compared with th
and every single item is exactly like the copy furnished us
while on the subject, I would suggest that the copy of the m
should be carefully edited before it is turned over to the printe
this case we did not have time to submit the proof; the copy wa
for trhee or four months, and we had to rush the job out.

President McNeill :

No motion will be received at this Convention unless in wr
with the signature of the mover on same. The question befo
House is the adoption or correction of the minutes of the July
ing, held in Wilmington. What is the wish of the Convention?

Mr. Taylor, of Newbern :

I move that the record given to the Wilson fire company on
51 of Wilmington Proceedings, be stricken out, in accordance wi
Resolution on page 50, and that the time given to Winston to be
ged from 40 1-5 seconds to 42 1-5, and that Newbern Steam Fir
gine Company be added to the record, directly under Wilson, no
given. Motion carried.

Capt. Fullum :

I move that paragraph on page 38, Proceedings of Wilmingt
changed to read "on right side of course," instead of "right si
hose." Seconded. Carried.

Mr. Taylor, of Newbern :

I move that engine in quick steaming contest shall throw
continuously for five minutes after the water has been thrown ov
50 foot line. Motion was seconded and carried.

Mr. Taylor, of Winston.

I move that on page 62 of the Wilmington Proceedings, aft
words "ladder must be raised by hand," be inserted "laddermar
touch bottom and top round in ascending." Motion seconded an
ried.

It was moved and seconded that the Proceedings of Twelfth Annual Meeting be adopted. Motion carried.

Presidest McNeill :

The minutes of previous meeting, as corrected, stand approved.

President McNeill :

Are there any delegates, Chiefs or Assistants, Superintendents of larms or Superintendents of water works, who have come into the ince our morning meeting ?

Delegate from Spencer responded :

Mr. Carson, from Sumter, S. C., was granted the leges of the floor of the North Carolina State Fire-'s Association :

It was moved and seconded that the Convention take as next order of business, the matter of the collection ues. Secretary VonGlahn reported all dues paid up.

President McNeill :

This is a most satisfactory state of affairs. Allow me congratulate ll.

The report of the Committee on Credentials :

oldsboro Fire Company, No. 1—L. Weil, W. A, Gattis.
pencer—R. L. Workman, J. H. Harris.
alisbury Hook and Ladder Company, No. 1—C. H. Swink, D. L.

alisbury Hose Company, No. 1—P. N. Peacock, W. B. Howard.
harlotte Reel Team—J. D. McCall, W. S. Charles, (Delegates;) Orr, B. J. Swinson, (Alternates.)
Vashington Ocean Fire Company—J. B. Fowle, E. T. Stewart.
Vashington Phoenix Hook and Ladder Company—B. G. Moss, Mayo.
Vilson Department—R. E. Batten, A. G. Winstead.
sheville Department—J. M. Patton, J. T. Bostic.
alem Rough and Ready Fire Company—S. G. Rogers, W. S. Pfohl.
Vilmington Engine Company, No. 1—B. R. Russell.
urham Hose Company, No. 2—C. J. Markham, L. L. Chamber-

harlotte Pioneer Company, No. 2—J. H. Wallace, R. K. Blair.
harlotte, No. 1—W. B. Glenn, E. F. Cresswell.
enderson Hose Company, No. 1—B. S. Armson, Jno. Carter.
urham Hose Company, No. 1—J. W. Hicks, J. S. Maynor.
oncord Hose Company, No. 1—L. C. Biles, S. W. Williams.
reensboro West End, No. 5—W. B. Hunt, H. G. Slight. (Dele-G. W. Malcom, H. W. Lewis, (Alternates.)
ewbern Fire Engine Company, No. 1—T. C. Daniels, J. C. Mc-n, (Delegates;) Mark Disaway, L. J. Taylor, (Alternates.)

Greensboro Southside Hose Company, No. 4—J. H. Phipps, Douglass.

Wilmington Chemical Company, No. 1—Geo. Schnibben, Green.

Winston Hook and Ladder Company, No. 1—R. C. Taylor, Lindsay.

Winston Steam Company, No. 2—F. T. White, W. B. Little, gates;) J. A. L. Miller, A. A. Dean, (Alternates.)

Winston Steam Fire Engine Company, No. 1—A. J. Gales Holmes.

Wilmington Hook and Ladder Company, No. 1—J. Wannar

Wilmington Hose Company, No. 3—L. Friemuth, E. A. H (Alternates.)

Tarboro Hook and Ladder Company, No. 1—M. W. Haynes, Cohen, (Delegates;) C. C. Austin, W. T. Gwathmey, (Alternates.)

Salem, No. 1—F. H. Lewis, D. L. Fearrington.

Raleigh Rescue, No. 1—J. N. McCrary, R. E. Lumsden.

Raleigh Capital Hose Company—B. H. Parker, H. D. Bunch

Raleigh Hook and Ladder Company—W. W. Parish, J. A. (Delegates;) B. D. Poole, (Alternate.)

Newbern Atlantic Fire Engine Company—C. S. Hill, W. F. ardson.

Goldsboro Eclipse—F. W. Hilker, R. D. Holt.

Greensboro Eagle, No. 1—D. E. Sergeant, G. R. Shaw.

Asheville Hook and Ladder Company—J. S. Fullum.

Greensboro Hook and Ladder Company, No. 1—R. B. Beall, Boone.

Greensboro Engine Company, No. 1—J. T. Abbott, Harry Le

Fayetteville Chicora EngineCompany—J. D. McNeill, G. L. H

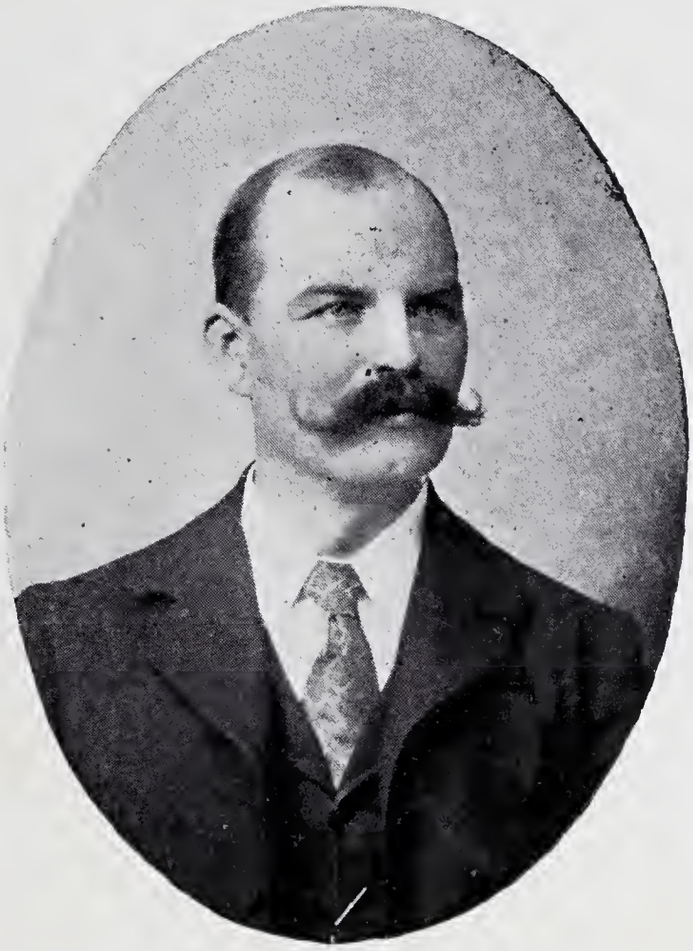
Fayetteville Fire Company—E. F. Pemberton, C. L. Jones.

Elizabeth City Albemarle, No. 1—J. W. Richardson, Chas. R

Report was adopted:

President McNeill:

Only delegates will be allowed to vote. Each company is en to two delegates— or two votes; each Chief is entitled to one each Assistant Chief to one vote; each Superintendent of Water W to one vote and each Superintendent of Fire Alarms to one Only those composing the personnel of this Convention shall b titled to vote.



W. C. VonGlahn,

Secretary.

Elected 1900.

EPORT OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES.

President McNeill read his Annual Report, as fol-
vs:

THE MEMBERS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION:

Gentlemen:—Again it becomes my duty, as president of your e Organization, to render you my Annual Report, covering all isactions, financial and otherwise, for the past fiscal year.

In my last report, made to you in Wilmington, last July, I conulated you in advance, upon the marked enthusiam and interest wn in association matters upon that occasion. I can but now con- and re-iterate my congratulations upon the unprecedented attend- e and the enthusiam shown by all present—both firemen and visitors, at time. It proved itself to be one of the pleasantest and most itable meetings in the history of the association, our hosts, having double advantage of not only being possessed of the warmest and generous impulses of hospitality, but being also favored by nat- advantages enjoyed by no other city in the State, they were enabled xtend to us the most varied sources of amusement.

In this same connection I can again congratulate you upon this, Thirteenth Annual Meeting in the most progessive city in our State. have met here before, and to question the success of any public oc- ion in Charlotte, would be to simply parade our ignorance of all events.

At the last meeting of our Legislature, I had the privilege, as Sen- from my District, to introduce, advocate and have passed a bill, ting the office of Chief of Fire Department in every incor- ted town and city in the State, and empowering that official with s and responsibilities that can not fail to be of very much benefit l of our citizens living in such communities. It also provides that all receive compensation for his services.

I hope that every chief and fireman present will make it his espe- business to make himself acquainted with the provisions of this nd see that they are complied with. Its execution will certainly ce our insurance rates, and will surely materially reduce our fire s everywhere. One of my especial objects in passing this bill was eate an interest in fire department matters, in the many—very towns in our State that have practically no fire protection at all, who are paying out thousands of dollars annually in insurance iums that would be saved to them by having organized fire depart- s. I can perhaps illustrate my meaning in no better way than to a few of the incorporated towns around us here in Charlotte that practically no fire organization. I mention: Gastonia, Shelby, on, Morganton, Hickory, Wadesboro, Rockingham, Maxton, San- Jonesboro, and lastly, Laurnburg, where, a few days ago, thous- of dollars worth of property was destroyed, simply for the lack ittle water applied at the right time, by a man whose business it o apply it properly.

nder the present law, all of these towns will have to have an or- ation of some sort, and a short, practical experience will soon them not only the money saved by reduced losses, but also, that

saved by reduced insurance premiums. At the same time, these organizations can, and by the proper effort, will be brought into association, so that by next year, I hope to see from this source a ten or fifteen more departments represented.

I have personally invited, and hope to have present at this ing, Mr. J. R. Young, our State Insurance Commissioner, who will pleasure in personally explaining the merits of the new law.

Since our last meeting I have ordered paid thirty-eight c against our relief fund, amounting to $1,385.90. All claims have satisfactorily adjusted except two, and they will doubtless be arra at this meeting. For the details of these payments, I refer you t reports of our secretary and treaurer.

As a matter of interest to you, I would remind you that unde administration, covering seven years, there has been paid to sick dis-abled firemen, and to the benificiaries of those who have lost lives on account of fire service, the sum of $11,194.00. Who can pute the good that has been done with this sum? It has certainly the key-note to our success, in that it has been the means of enco ing our members to take more interest in their profession, and made them better firemen, through the knowledge that their stat fellow-citizens appreciated their services.

I am pleased to report your financial condition in good shape a balance of $2,175.84 to the credit of your relief fund, and to the of your general fund $377.71. Your business affairs have been con ed in a clean and business-like manner.

The inter-state feature, introduced on two former occassi 1897, at Fayetteville, and last year at Wilmington, proved so very ant and enjoyable, and realizing the importance of making our an as pleasant as possible to our membership that I again, (the loca ditions being so very favorable) recommended its renewal this y order that we might keep alive the generous rivalry existing bet our own and our South Carolina brothers. In consequence, we and will have, quite a number of visiting firemen and brethren wi I bespeak for them your kindest consideration, and ask you to e to them the right hand of fellowship and the generous treatment they so eminently deserve.

I trust you will pardon me for a personal allusion. Let m say that I most gratefully appreciate the confidence shown in you, in bestowing upon me for seven years in succession, the h honor in your gift. As is well known to every member of the as tion, I have never, either directly or indirectly, solicited either m election, or re-election to this position. This honor has come solely from your own volition. I have given to your services m endeavors. My aim has always been to promote your every i and improve the conditions of the fire service and the firemen State. I am conscious of having faithfully tried to do my d therefore again assure you that I am ready to turn over to my s sor, the executive management of an organization that can reflect ing but honor upon the man who may be so honored.

In conclusion, let me counsel the utmost harmony in all of liberations, and personally ask every member of our association t me in giving his best endeavors to make this year's Conventic Tournament, the best, biggest, most profitable and most enjoya all previous events.

Fraternally yours to command,

JAMES D. McNE

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

This report was unanimously adopted.

Secretary VonGlahn read his Annual Report, as lows:

THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION:

Gentlemen:—I beg to submit to you my First Annual Report at s the Thirteenth Annual Convention of the Association. The mbership at this consists of twenty cities being represented. mely:

neville,	1	Company	Men.	27
ncord.	2	"	"	37
arlotte.	3	"	"	30
rham,	2	"	"	21
zabeth City,	1	"	"	24
etteville,	2	"	"	29
dsboro,	4	"	"	54
ensboro,	5	"	"	46
nderson.	1	"	"	7
nston,	1	"	"	10
wbern,	2	"	"	27
eigh.	3	"	"	61
em,	2	"	"	37
ncer,	1	"	"	16
isbury,	2	"	"	24
boro.	1	"	"	40
lmington.	5	"	"	33
lson	1	"	"	6
nston,	3	"	"	59
shington.	2	"	"	51

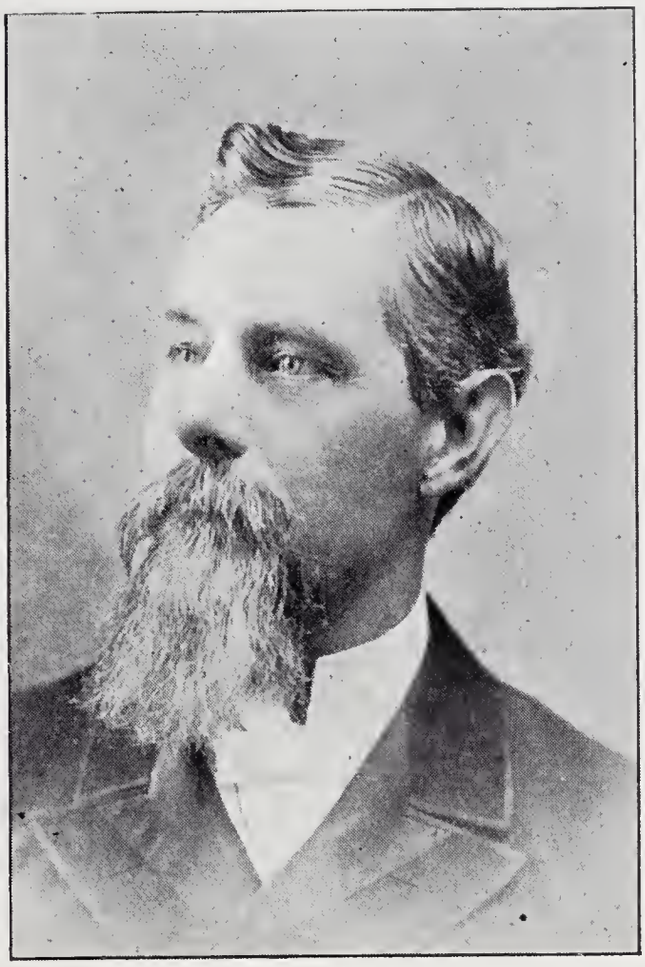
king a total of 633 individual members. also Chiefs of the Concord, neville. Charlotte. Durham. Elizabeth City. Fayetteville, Goldsboro. ensboro. Henderson. Kinston, Newbern, Raleigh, Salem, Spencer, isbury, Tarboro, Wilmington. Wilson. Winston Departments. al Chiefs. 19; Assistant Chiefs. Concord, Charlotte. Elizabeth City. etteville, Goldsboro, Newbern. Salem. Spencer. Salisbury, Tarro, Wilmington, Winston. Total Assistant Chiefs. 11. Superinndent Water Works. 2; Superintendent Fire Alarms. 2. Making a nd Total of 665. I have to report the addition of 2 New Comnies. Fayetteville Fire Department and Concord Hose and Reel npany, No. 1, and the failure of Rocky Mount Fire Company. No. o be enrolled again this year. I notice that in some companies ch smaller lists of members were sent in this year than last.

The receipts to date for the General Fund are $382.50 of which .00 was collected for 1900 dues. The following warrants from this nd were issued:

Warrant No.	1—J. T. Yates Electric Starter.....	$10
"	2—J. J. Stone, Stationery.....	8
"	3—T. A. Green, Expenses to Wil. Ex. Com....	9
"	4—J. D. McNeill, Expense to Wil. Ex. Com..	10
"	5—J. D. McNeil, Postage.....	5
"	6—T. A. Green. Postage	5
"	7—W. C. VonGlahn. Postage.....	5
"	8—J. D. McNeill. Fisrt Quarter Salary.....	37
"	9—W. C. VonGlahn, First Quarter Salary....	25
"	10—J. D. McNeill. Second Quarter Salary.....	37
"	11—W. C. VonGlahn. Second Quarter Salary..	25
"	12—Wilmington Stamp Works. Printing.....	2
"	13—W. C. VonGlahn, Postage	5
"	14—J. D. McNeill, Third Quarter Salary.....	37
"	15—W. C. VonGlahn, Third Quarter Salary....	25
"	16—Observer Printing House. Proceedings....	75
"	17—J. D. McNeill, Expenses to Charlotte.....	15
"	18—J. D. McNeill, Advertising, Newberry. S. C.	19
"	19—W. C. VonGlahn, Postage..... ...	7
"	20—Wilmington Stamp Works, Printing.....	6
		$36

The following warrants were drawn from the Relief Fund:

Warrant No.	1—J. A. Harriss, Durham.....20	days....	$4
"	2—W. T. Bailey, Washington..... 8	"	1
"	3—W. T. Bailey, Wash'ton Partial 4	"	4
"	4—W. B. Irwin, Durham.....10	"	20
"	5—R. L. Montgomery, Spencer....17	"	5
"	6—H. W. Shoof, Spencer.....16	"	3
"	7—J. McD. Monoghan, Fayetteville 5	"	1
"	8—C. L. Jones, Fayetteville.....	"	6
"	9—L. W. Jeaneret, Asheville 8	"	1
"	9—L. W. Jeaneret, Ash., Partial..18	"	1
"	10—L. Friemuth, Wil'ton, Partial..14	"	1
"	11—J. I. Bland, Wilmington, Partial 12	"	1
"	12—A. J. Burriss, Wilmington.... 7	"	1
"	13—J. B. O'Sullivan, Wilmington. 9	"	1
"	14—J. R. Proctor, Washington..... 3	"	6
"	15—Peter Spires, Elizabeth City..36	"	7
"	16—C. C. Mallard, Wilmington....15	"	3
"	17—E. D. George, Wil'ton Partial.. 9	"	9
"	18—L. Friemuth, Wilmington.... 6	"	1
"	19—J. D. McNeill, Fayetteville....70	"	14
"	20—Jno. Mohr, Wilmington.....15	"	3
"	21—J. D. McNeill, Fayetteville....	"	5
"	22—W. D. Talbert, Spencer.....34	" ...	6
"	23—C. L. Jones, Fayetteville.....13	"	2
"	24—Frank Green, Wilmington 8	"	1
"	25—M. M. Wallace, Charlotte.....20	" ...	4
"	27—Jno. Stuman, Asheville..... 6	"	1
"	26—Jno. Stuman, Ash., Partial.... 6	"	
"	27—P. N. Fick, Wilmington..... 9	"	1
"	28—J. H. Williams, Wil., Partial..12	"	1
"	29—E. D. George, Wilmington..... 4	"	



T. A. Green,

Treasurer.

Elected 1894.

ant No. 30—J. J. Caudle, Durham, Partial..20 days....		20.00
31—W. C. Owens, Charlotte .... ..22 "		44.00
32—Agustus Brown. Ash.. Partial..11 "		11.00
33—J. L. White, Wilmington.. .. 31 "		62 00
34—Chas. E. Case, Newbern.....52 "		104.00
35—V. L. Guest, Asheville..... 6 "		12.00
38—Robt. Smith, Asheville .....20 "		40.00
36—W. C. VonGlahn, Pr'ting Proceedings, &c.		125.00
37—T. A. Green, Salary as Treasurer....		150 00
		$1,385.90

ıe Reaper Death has invaded our Ranks and has taken from us . B. Willeford of Concord Hose and Reel Company, No. 1, Con- In conclusion I beg to thank each and every member who it ›en my previlege through corresponding or personally for their ess shown me and assure you all that if I have erred it was an ɔf the head and not of the heart.

Very Respectfully,

W. C. VONGLAHN.

Secretary.

e the Finance Committee, appointed at this meeting to examine oks and accounts of the Secretary, have this day carefully ex- l both books and vouchers of W. C. VonGlahn, Secretary of ssociation, and find them well and accurately kept. Charlotte, 4, 1901.

J. HENRY PHIPPS,
R C. TAYLOR,
W. S. ORR,
Finance Committee.

ecretary's Report was adopted.

'reasurer Green read report of the General Fund.

GENERAL FUND.

REEN, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION :

3th,	To cash balance on hand.....	$ 131.86
3rd,	To cash received of Firemen for 10 per ct. reductions,	105.20
2nd,	To cash received of W.C.VonGlahn, Sec., on account dues, Printing, etc.....	507.50
		$744.56

ı paid J. D. McNeill, on account salary...	$112.50
" W. C. VonGlahn, on account salary...	75.00
" J. D. McNeill, on account Traveling Expenses,	45.30

By cash paid J. D. McNeill, W. C. VonGlahn and T. A Green, on account postage.....
" " Observer Printing House .. ..
" " Wilmington Stamp Works.....
" " J. T. Yates.....
" " J. J. Stone .....
" " T. A. Green, Expenses to Wilmington.....
July 23rd, 1901, to balance on hand.....

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) T. A. GREEN,
Treasurer.

We the Finance Committee appointed at the meeting to ex
the books of the Treasurer, T. A. Green have examined the sa
find them correct and well kept, and the amount $377.71 on ha
all vouchers properly signed. Charlotte, N. C., July 24th, 190

(Signed) J. HENRY PHIPPS,
R. C. TAYLOR,
W. S. ORR,
Finance Com

Treasurer Green read report of Relief Fund.

RELIEF FUND.

T. A. GREEN, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE NORTH CA
STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION:

1900		
Aug. 18th,	To cash balance on hand....	$ 1.686.74
Nov. 6th,	To cash received of W. H. Worth, State Treasurer..	1,875.00
	Total Receipts.....	$ 3.561.74

By cash paid to Asheville Firemen.....5 Vouchers
" " Charlotte Firemen.....2 "
" " Durham Firemen.....3 "
" " Elizabeth City Firemen.....1 Voucher
" " Fayetteville Firemen.....5 Vouchers
" " Newbern Firemen.....1 Voucher
" " Spencer Firemen.....3 Vouchers
" " Washington Firemen..... 2 "
" " Wilmington Firemen..... 13 "
" " Printing on account.....
" " T. A. Green, Treasurer's Salary,
July 23rd. 1901, To balance on hand.....

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) T. A. GREEN,
Treasure

Ve the Finance Committee appointed at the meeting to examine ocks of the Treasurer, T. A. Green have examined the same and hem correct and well kept, and the amount of $2,175.84 on , and all vouchers properly signed. Charlotte, N. C., July 24th,

(Signed) J. HENRY PHIPPS,
R. C. TAYLOR,
W. S. ORR,
Finance Committee.

CITIZENS BANK OF NEWBERN:

Newbern, N. C , July 22nd, 1901.

'his is to certify that there is to credit of T. A. Green, Treas- f the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, in this Bank, ove date, July 22nd, 1901, Twenty-Six Hundred and Six ($2606.) 4 100 dollars, and to the credit of T. A. Green, Treasurer of the al Fund of said Association, Two Hundred and Thirty-Seven and ($237.11) dollars.

H. M. GROVES, Cashier.

Reports of Treasurer Green were adopted.

STATISTICIAN'S REPORT.

NEWBERN N. C., 1901.

HE PRESIDENT, OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE NORTH AROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION:

entlemen :—I beg to submit to you this my Annual Report, as tician of your Association. I mailed blanks to be filled to 29 de- ients and towns in the State. I have had filled and returned 22, ng 7 who I have not heard from. I received a letter from Chief Griffins wife of Greenville, stating that Chief Griffin was sick, nable to fill out his report. This he will no doubt do, and it e forwarded to the Secretary in time to appear in the Proceed- I would ask all the Chiefs who have failed to send in their s to do so, as early as possible, that they may appear in the edings of the Association.

DETAIL REPORT.

TOWNS HAVING ORGANIZED FIRE COMPANIES

NAME OF TOWN.	NUMBER COMPANIES		NUM FI
	White.	Col'd.	White.
Durham	2	1	36
Wilmington	5	.....	32
Tarboro	1	1	42
Kinston	1		31
Elizabeth City	1	1	32
Lumberton	3	.....	40
Winston	3	1	60
Salisbury	2	.....	24
Monroe	1	1	33
Concord	1	1	20
Charlotte	2	1	28
Reidsville	1	.....	10
Enfield	1	....	27
Fayetteville	3	.....	30
Henderson	1	2	18
Greensboro	5	.....	86
Goldsboro	4	.....	75
Salem	2	.....	42
Spencer	3	.....	30
Asheville	2	.....	31
Newbern	2	2	60
Raleigh	3	1	64
Wilson	.....	.....	.....
Greenville	.....	.....	.....
Washington	.....	.....	.....
LaGrange	.....	.....	.....
Total	49	12	851

L. J. Taylor,

Statistician.

Elected 1900.

TOWNS HAVINGS WATER WORKS :

NAME OF TOWN.	PRESSURE.	
	FIRE.	DOMESTIC.
gh	50	50
ville	94	56
bern	85	45 to 60
cer	80	30
am	85 to 105	40 to 58
ington	100	40
bro	60	40
ton	100	40
bury	70	45
oe	80	40
ord	75	25
otte	85	45
teville	90	90
erson	95	50
sboro	45	40
sboro	70	45
n	.....	40
on	.....	.....
ville	.....	.....

TOWNS HAVING FIRE ALARMS :

aleigh, Asheville, Newbern, Durham. Wilmington, Winston, sboro, Goldsboro, Gamewell System. Charlotte—Richmond m. Fayetteville and Henderson, Telephone System.

MOREHEAD DEPARTMENT.

ne Small Chemical Engine, no regular company.
'e get water from wells dug about 10 feet deep.
wo fires alarms from June 1st. 1900 to June 1st, 1901.

GOLDSBORO DEPARTMENT.

nief, T. H. Bain, elected by Board Alderman: term expires May. Assistant Chief R. A. Creech: Secretary, T. M. Miller.
our Companies, Volunteer.
oldsboro Fire Company, No. 1, 25 men (white): Foreman, L. Secretary. H. McCall.
ook and Ladder Company, No. 1. 10 men (white): Foreman. rt Weil: Secretary, H. McCall.
clipse Steam Fire Engine, 20 men (white): Foreman, T. W. Hil- ecretary, R. D. Holt.
ectric Reel Company, 25 men (white): Foreman. Thos. Jones: ary, J. W. Sadler.

Apparatus not in use: One double tank Chemical Engi gallons, one 1-Horse Hose Reel, one Hand Reel.

No. Hand Hose Reels.....
" Horse Hose Wagons.....
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks.....
" Feet Cotton Hose.....

Value of real estate used for fire purposes..... $
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.....

Total..... $

Amount of insurance on property destroyed, $47.000
Amount of loss over, $11,846.

Water Works, both direct and gravity pressure; owned by p campany.

Seventy pounds pressure required for fire service; for do service, forty-five pounds.

Gamewell Electric Fire Alarm System.

Thirty-two fire alarms from June 1st, 1900, to June 1st, 1901

Our department will be represented.

GREENSBORO DEPARTMENT.

Chief, F. N. Taylor, appointed: term expires May 1903; Ass Chief, W. R. Pleasant; Secretary, E. L. Clark.

Five Compaines, Volunteer.

Greensboro Steam Fire Engine, Company, No. 1, Hose Wago Engine, 18 men (white); Foreman, J. C. Lewis; Secretary, H. C. L

Hook and Ladder Company, No. 1, Ariel Truck, 18 men (w Foreman, E. E. Bain; Secretary, Lee Wharton.

Eagle Hose Company, No. 7, Wagon, 18 men (white); For R. C. Whittington; Secretary, Harry Poezolt.

Southside Hose Company, No. 4. Wagon, 18 men (white); man, J. H. Phipps; Secretary, C. H. Brower.

West End Hose Company, Hand Reel, 14 men (white); Fore J. H. Prince; Secretary, Marcuhn.

Apparatus not in use: One 2 tank Chemical Engine, one old Engine, two Hand Reels two Racing Carts.

No. Hand Hose Reels.....
" Engine Carriages.....
" Horse Hose Wagons.....
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks.....
" Feet Rubber Hose.....
" Feet Cotton Hose.....

Value of real estate used for fire purposes..... $16,
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc..... 11,

Total..... $27,

Amount of insurance on property destroyed, $2,460 00
Amount of loss over and above insurance, $1,340.00

Water Works, direct, owned by city.

Forty-five pounds pressure required for fire service; for do service, forty pounds.

Gamewell Electric Fire Alarm System.

Thirty-two fire alarms from June 1st, to June 1st, 1901.

Our department will be represented.

WINSTON DEPARTMENT.

', H. L. Riggins, elected by Board of Aldermen; term expires Jan- 1st, 1902; Assistant Chief, J. B. McCreary; Secretary, James ı.

'our Companies, Volunteer and Paid.

Vinston Steam Fire Engine Company, No. 1, LaFrance Engine, ɔn (white); Foreman, Jno. B. McCreary; Secretary, W. B. Little.

ton Steam Fire Engine Company, No. 2, LaFrance Engine, 20 (white); Foreman, A. J. Gales; Secretary, Jno. Holmes.

look and Ladder Company, No. 1, Hayes' Truck, 20 men (white); nan, R. C. Taylor.

look and Ladder Company, No. 2, Rumsly Truck, 20 men (col- ; Foreman, Tom. Houston; Secretary, J. B. Sweeps.

land Hose Reels	2
Horse Hose Wagons	2
Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	2
'eet Rubber Hose	5.00
'eet Cotton Hose	1 800
of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 15 000.00
of all other property, apparatus, etc	17,000.00
Total	$ 32,000.00

'ater Works, both direct and gravity pressure; owned by city.

ne hundred pounds pressure required for fire service; for domes- ɔvice, forty pounds.

ımewell Electric Fire Alarm System.

ur department will be represented.

WILMINGTON DEPARTMENT.

ıief, Chas. Schnibben, elected by Board of Aldermen; term ex- April, 1903; Assistant Chief, W. P. Monroe.

ve Companies, Paid.

ıemical Engine Company, No. 1, Chemical Engine, 4 men); Foreman, P. N. Fick; Secretary, H. L. Kidd.

ɔok and Ladder Company, No. 1, 2-Horse Wagon, 8 men (white); an, W. P. Monroe; Secretary, J. Wannermaker.

gine Company, No. 1, 1 Engine and Hose Wagon, 8 men (white); an, B. R. Russell; Secretary, J. C. Bowden.

gine Company, No. 2, Engine and Hose Wagon, 7 men (white); an, W. A. Canady; Secretary, B. F. Swann.

ɔse Company, No. 3, 2-Horse Hose Wagon, 6 men (white); Fore . Freimuth.

paratus not in use: No. 3 Button Engine and a 1-Horse Hook ɔdder Truck.

rse Hose Carriages and Carts	1
vo Horse Hose Wagons	3
vo Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
et Rubber Hose	200
et Cotton Hose	4,500
of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 12,500.00
of all other property, apparatus, etc	20,950.00
Total	$ 33,450.00

Total insurance of property on which claim for loss was made $450,
Total insurance loss for the year 19,
Total loss on property not insured..... 3.

Total loss for the year..... $ 23.

Water Works, both direct and gravity pressure; owned by pr company.

One-hundred pounds pressure required for fire service, for do tic service, forty pounds.

Gamewell Electric Fire Alarm System.

One hundred and forty-seven fire alarms from June 1st, 19 June 1st, 1901.

DURHAM DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. Frank Maddry, elected by Board of Aldermen; term pires May 5th 1903; Assistant Chief, W. H. Llewellyn.

Three Companies, Volunteer and Paid.

Duham Hose Company, No. 1, Hose Wagon, 16 men (white); man, I. M. Reaves, Jr.; Secretary, L. L. Clark.

Durham Hose Company, No. 2, Hose Wagon, 20 men (white) man, C. J. Markham; Secretary, C. A. Wicker.

Excelsior Hook and Ladder Company, No. 1, Hook and La 14 men (colored); Secretary, H. L. Capps.

Apparatus not in use: One Hook and Ladder Truck, one Wagon, one Hose Reel.

No. Hand Hose Reels.....
" Horse Hose Wagons in use.....
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks.....
" Feet Cotton Hose.....
Value of real estate used for fire purposes..... $ 11.
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc..... 13,

Total ..... $ 24.

Amount of Insurance on property destroyed, about $11.000

Amount of loss over and above insurance, $8,000 00.

Water Works, both direct and gravity pressure; owned by pr company.

Eighty-five to hundred and five pounds pressure required fo service, for domestic service, forty to fifty pounds.

Gamewell Fire Alarm System.

Forty-eight fire alarms from June 1st, 1900, to June 1st, 1901

Accidents—3 men.

The department is Volunteer with exception of three full drivers and salary for Chief.

The losses during year, June 1st, 1900, to June 1st, 1901, was $19,000.00, the smallest in history of the department. Two-thi the loss caused by explosion of large oil lamps in store-houses.

NEWBERN DEPARTMENT.

Chief, L. A. Taylor, elected by Companies; term expires Ja 1st, 1902; Assistant Chief, J. D. Delemar; Secretary, H. W. Simp

Six Companies. Volunteer.
Newbern, No. 1, Engine and Hose Company, 60 men (white); Fore-
, H. S. Styron; Secretary, T. C. Daniels.
Atlantic, No. 1, Engine and Hose Wagon, 60 men (white); Fore-
, H. E. Royall; Secretary, Jno. Scales.
Sixth Ward Hose Reel Company, Hose Reel, 18 men (colored);
man, Robt. Greer.
Rough and Ready Hook and Ladder Company, Hook and Ladder
k, 32 men (colored).
Newbern, No. 1, Hand Reel, Secretary, T. C. Daniels.
Atlantic, " " " " Jno. Scales.
Apparatus not in use: Two Engines kept as reserve.

Hand Hose Reels	6
Horse Hose Carriages and Carts	2
Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
Feet Rubber Hose	3.000
e of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 6.000.00
e of all other property, apparatus, etc	$ 9 000.00
Total	$ 15.000.00

Amount of insurance on property destroyed, $975.00
Amount of loss over and above insurance, $253.00
Water Works, direct pressure; owned by city.
Eighty-five pounds pressure required for fire service, for domestic
ce, forty to sixty pounds.
Gamewell Fire Alarm System.
ixty-one fire alarms from June 1st, 1900, to June 1st, 1901
ccident—One leg crushed, loss of time 90 days to this date.
epartment represented—Doubtful.

ASHEVILLE DEPARTMENT.

hief, James P. Sawyer, elected by City Council; term expires
signation or removal; L.W. Jeanneret, Assistant Chief, and Sec-
y.
ne Company, Volunteer.
sheville Hose Company, No. 1, { One 2-Horse Hose Wagon, One 2-Horse Hose Reel, Two Hand Reels, 31 men (white);
an, J. T. Bostic; Secretary, L. W. Jeanneret.
etail of eight men to go with one 2-Horse Ladder Truck, (white)
ight men taken out of thirty-one.
pparatus not in use: One Hand Reel.

and Hose Reels	2
wo Horse Carriages and Reels	1
wo Horse Hose Wagons	1
wo Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
eet Rubber Hose	1,000
eet Cotton Hose	2.000
of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 30,000.00
of all other property, apparatus, etc	3,500.00
Total	$ 33,500.00

Water Works, gravity pressure; owned by city.

Number pounds of pressure required for fire service, 94.4; domestic service, 56 pounds.

Gamewell Electric Fire Alarm System.

....fire alarms from June 1st, 1900. to June 1st, 1901.

Our department will be represented.

RALEIGH DEPARTMENT.

Chief, L. H. Lumsden, elected by Board of Aldermen; term pires May. 1903; Assistant Chief, Everett Baker; Secretary, L. Lumsden.

Four Companies. Volunteer and Paid.

Rescue, 2-Horse Hose Wagon, 35 men (white); Foreman, R. Lumsden, Secretary, W. O. Faucette.

Hook and Ladder, 2-Horse Hook and Ladder Truck, 14 m white); Foreman, W. W. Parish; Secretary, Fred. Doyle.

Capital, 2-Horse Hose Wagon, 25 men (white); Foreman, Ch Betts, acting; Secretary, J. F. Jordan.

Victor, 2-Horse Hose Wagon, 25 men (colored); Foreman, W Palmer; Secretary, S. J. Hawkins.

Apparatus not in use: One double tank Chemical, One Steam One Hand Reel.

No. Hand Hose Reels.....	
" Horse Hose Wagons.....	
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks.....	
" Feet Cotton Hose.....	3
Value of real estate used for fire purposes ...	$12,000
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc.....	14,800
Total	$26,800

Amount of insurance on property destroyed, $18,663.36

Amount of loss over and above insurance, $2,657.00

Water Works, gravity pressure and seven cisterns; owned by pr ate company.

Fifty pounds pressure required for fire service; for domestic s vice, fifty pounds.

Gamewell Electric Fire Alarm System, valued at $7,500.00

Fifty-four fire alarms from June 1st, 1900, to June 1st, 1901.

Our department will be represented.

SPENCER DEPARTEMNT.

Chief, J. T. Morgan, Appointed; term expires, Indefinate; Assi ant Chief, J. H. Harris; Secretary, R. L. Workman.

Three Companies. Volunteer.

Machine Shop, No. 1, Hand Reel, 10 men (white); Foreman, R. Julian; Secretary, R. L. Workman.

Blacksmith Shop, No. 2 Hand Reel, 10 men (white); Forem Jas. Harris; Secretary, R. L. Workman.

Carpenter Shop, No. 3, Hand Reel, 10 men (white); Foreman, F. Stafford; Secretary, R. L. Workman.

Apparatus not in use: One Racing Reel.

Hand Hose Reels	4
Feet Rubbers Hose	200
Feet Cotton Hose	1,400
e of real estate and apparatus used for fire purposes	$1,000.00

Water Supply—One 70,000 gallon tank.

Water Works, both direct and gravity pressure; owned by private pany.

Eighty pounds pressure required for fire service; for domestic ser- thirty pounds.

Our department will be represented.

TARBORO DEPARTMENT.

hief, H. T. Day, elected by Board of Commissioners upon recom- ation of company; term expires June 1st, 1902; Assistant Chief, Walston; Secretary, Jno. A. Weddell.

wo Companies, Volunteer.

arboro Hook and Ladder Company, No. 1, 3 Hand Reels, 42 men e); Foreman, J. A. Cohen; Secretary, Jno. A. Weddell.

ulton Fire Company, Hook and Ladder Truck, 25 men (colored): an, Geo, Lucas; Secretary, Jordan H. Dancy.

and Hose Reels	3
Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
Feet Rubber Hose	1,200
Feet Cotton Hose	350
of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 5,000.00
of all other property, apparatus, etc	1,800.00
	$ 6,800.00

mount of insurance on property destroyed, $8,500.00

ater Works, both direct and gravity pressure; owned by city.

xty pounds pressure required for fire service; for domestic ser- orty pounds.

ven fire alarms from June 1st, 1900, to June 1st, 1901.

ur department will be represented.

ELIZABETH CITY DEPARTMENT.

ief, A. C. Stokes, elected by Board Aldermen; term expires wo years; Assistant Chief, Chas. Reid; Secretary, J. Wilcox.

o Companies, Volunteer.

bemarl, S. O. B. Engine, 22 men (white); Foreman, A. C. Secretary, J. Wilcox.

celsior Hook and Ladder Company, 1-Horse Truck, 30 men d); Foreman, E Overton; Secretary, Tom Jackson.

paratus not in use: One Hand Reel, One Hand Pump.

nd Hose Reels	1
nd Carriages	2
rse Hose Carriages and Carts	2
rse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1

No. Feet Rubber Hose	
" Feet Cotton Hose	2
Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 6.00
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc	7,00
Total	$ 13.00

Water Supply—Four wells.

Twenty-seven fire alarms from June 1st, 1900, to June 1st, 190

Accidents to men—. Days lost from business, 40.

Our department will be respresented.

KINSTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. D. Taylor, elected by Company annually; Assist Chief. J. A. Harvey; Secretary, J. T. Midyette.

One Company, Volunteer.

Kinston Steam Fire Engine Company. No. 1, Silsby, 31 m (white); Foreman, B. W. Canady; Secretary, J. T. Midyette.

No. Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	
" Horse Hose Wagons	
" Feet Cotton Hose	2
Value of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 1,500
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc	4.00
Total	$ 5 50

Water Works, both direct and gravity pressure; owned by city

Number pounds pressure required for fire service; 35 to 40, domestic service, only for sprinkling and fire.

Electric Bell Fire Alarm System.

Three fire alarms from June 1st, 1900, to June 1st, 1901.

We hope our department will be represented.

We have a...gallon tank at power house and a line of 4 in. p along Main street for the fire purpose and supplying street sprink The tank is supplied by a pump used exclusively for that purpose.

LUMBERTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, E. K. Proctor, Jr., elected by Board Commissioners; te expires January 1st, 1902; Assistant Chief, Q. T. Williams; Secreta C. B. Skipper.

Three Companies, Volunteer.

Lumberton Fire Company, No. 1, Hand Hose Reel, 14 men (whi Foreman, W. J. Prevatt; Secretary, C. B. Skipper.

Lumberton Fire Company, No 2, Hand Hose Reel, 14 m (white); Foreman, S. McIntyre; Secretary, C. B. Skipper.

Lumberton Hook and Ladder Company, Hook and Ladder Tr equipped as required by S. E. Tariff Association, 12 men (whi Foreman, Alf. H. McLeod; Secretary, C. B. Skipper.

No. Hand Hose Reels	3
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
" Feet Rubber Hose	1 0
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc	$ 10 0

mount of insurance on property destroyed, $1.250
mount of loss over and above insurance, $300
Vater Works, gravity pressure: 66,600 gallon tank, 125 feet high, ied from Lumber river by 2 Worthington pumps, owned by city. or fire service tank supplies all we need, 40 to 50 pounds.
hree fire alarm from June 1st, 1900. to June 1st, 1901.
Ve hope our department will be represented.
n two cases of fire they were promptly extinguished with but loss. One house was on fire entirely inside before any alarm, oc- its came near being burned. This was almost a total loss, except ame which was partly saved. Our lowest pressure (natural) tank is 40 pounds and highest (when full) is 54. All of our ment is first-class of its kind.

SALISBURY DEPARTMENT.

hief, M. V. B. Capps, elected by Board of Aldermen; term ex- June 1st, 1901; Assistant Chief, P. H. Meroney; Secretary, C. H.

hree Companies, Volunteer.
ose Company, No. 1, 2 Reels, 16 men (white); Secretary, C. H.

ook and Ladder, No. 1, 1 Truck, 8 men (white); Secretary, C. H.

and Hose Reels	4
orse Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
eet Rubber Hose	300
eet Cotton Hose	1,700
of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 5,700.00
of all other property, apparatus, etc	1,500.00
Total	$ 7,200.00

ater Works, direct pressure; owned by private company.
Seventy pounds pressure required for fire service; for domestic , forty-five pounds
ur department will be represented.
m glad to inform you that we have ordered one 1-Horse Hose and one 1-Horse Truck that will be in, in July—cost $1,100.

MONROE DEPARTMENT.

ief, Dr. S. J. Welch, elected by City; term expires May, 1902; nt Chief, Davis Ampred; Secretary, W. Funderhert.
o Companies, Volunteer.
nroe Steam Fire Company, Silsby Engine, 35 men (white); Fore- r.W. B. Houston,
nroe Hook and Ladder Company, (colored); Foreman, W. But-

paratus not in use : One Engine.

No. Hand Hose Reels.....
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks .....
" Feet Cotton Hose 1,
Value of real estate used for fire purpose..... ..... $ 25,000

Amount of loss over and above insurance, $400.00
Water Supply—Old System 8.
Water Works, direct pressure; owned by city.
Eighty pounds pressure required for fire service; for domestic s vice, forty pounds.
Five fire alarms from June 1st, 1900, to June 1st, 1901.

CONCORD DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. T. Miller, elected by Company; term expires Decemb 1901; Assistant Chief, John Propst; Secretary, Albert Freeze.
Two Companies, Volunteer.
Company No. 1, Hand Hose, 20 men (white).
Company No. 2, Hook and Ladder, 30 men (colored); Foremn Tom Phars; Secretary, John Farror;

No. Hand Hose Reels. ... .
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks ....
" Feet Rubber Hose..... 3
" Feet Cotton Hose.... 6
Value of all other property, apparatus, etc..... $ 2

Water Supply—Tanks.
Water Works, gravity pressure; owned by city.
Seventy-five pounds pressure required for fire service; for dome service, twenty-five pounds.
Six fire alarms from June 1st. 1900, to June 1st. 1901.
Our department will be represented.

In the near future a new Water Works' system will be built a owned by the town. We intend to put in one of the best systems can. $125,000.00 worth of bonds will be issued in a few weeks to co plete this system.

REIDSVILLE DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. F. Stultz, elected by Town Commissioners; term expi yearly; Assistant Chief, Geo. Burton; Secretary, W. H. Baker.
One Company, Paid.
Reidsville Fire Department, Silsby Engine, 10 men (white); Fo man J. Frank Stultz; Secretary, W. H. Baker.

No. Hand Hose Reels.. ....
" Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks ....
" Feet Cotton Hose..... 1,
Value of all property, apparatus, etc..... .. $ 7,000

Water Supply—Plugs, 45.
Water Works, Sixty pounds pressure, owned by city.
Fifty pounds pressure required for fire service.
Eight fire alarms from June 1st, 1900, to June 1st, 1901.
Our department will be represented.

ENFIELD DEPARTMENT.

Chief S. Meyer, elected by ballot; term expires first Wednesday, in ary; Assistant Chief, Will Burges; Secretary, S. Pearson.
One Company, Volunteer.
Enfield Fire Department, Hand Engine, 27 men (white); Secretary, earson.

Hand Hose Reels		1
Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks		1
Feet Rubber Hose		450
e of real estate used for fire purposes	$	85.00
e of all other property, apparatus, etc		400.00
Tota	$	485.00

Water Works, owned by city.
Two fire alarms from June 1st, 1900, to June 1st, 1901.

SALEM DEPARTMENT.

Chief, F. C. Meinung, elected by the Company; Assistant, W. C. ert; Secretary, J. W. Schott.
Two Companies, Part Paid.
Rough and Ready, Button Steamer, 22 men (white); Foreman, F. einung; Secretary, J. W. Schott.
Eagle Hose, Hand Reel, 20 men (white); Foreman, Jas. L. Farley; tary, John Pfaff.

Hand Hose Reels		2
-Horse Carts		1
-Horse Hose Wagon		1
eet Rubber Hose		1,000
of real estate used for fire purposes	$	1,500.00
of all other property, apparatus, etc		3,000.00
	$	4,500.00

Water Works, gravity pressure; owned by private company.
orty pounds for domestic service.
ive fire alarms from June 1st, 1900, to June 1st, 1901.
ur department will be represented.
alem Fire Department attended all alarms in Winston, as well as in our town.

CHARLOTTE DEPARTMENT.

hief, W. W. Irvine, elected by City Council; term expires May, Assistant Chief, J. H. Wentz; Secretary, W. B. Glenn.
hree Companies, Volunteer and Paid.
harlotte, No. 1, 20 men (white); Foreman, C. F. Creswell; Secre- W. B. Glenn.
oneer, No. 2, 8 men (white), Foreman, J. H. Muse; Secretary, Wallace.
eptune, No. 3, 38 men (colored); Foreman, J. Woodward; Sec- Jacob North.

Apparatus not in use : One Steamer. one Hand Reel.

No Hand Hose Reels.....
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts.....
" Horse Hose Wagons.....
" Horse Hook and Ladder Trucks.....
" Feet Cotton Hose.....

Value of real estate used for fire purposes..... $ 21,0
Value of all other property. apparatus, etc..... 7,8

Total..... $ 28,8

Water Works, direct pressure: owned by city.

Eighty-five pounds pressure required for fire service; for dom service. forty.five pounds.

Richmond Electric Fire Alarm System.

Eighty one fire alarms from June 1st, 1900, to June 1st, 1901.

Accident to firemen—days lost. 22.

Our department will be represented.

FAYETTEVILLE DEPARTMENT.

Chief. R. H. McDuffie. elected by City Council; term ex May. 1902; Secretary. R. H. Dye.

Three Companies. Volunteer.

Chicora Steam Fire Engine Company, Silsby Steamer, 18 (white); Foreman. J. D. McNeill; Secretary, R H. Dye.

Hose Company, No. 1. 1 Hose Wagon, 6 men (white); Fore E. T. Watson.

Hose Company, No. 2, 1 Hose Wagon, 6 men (white); Fore Jas. S. McNeill.

No. Hand Hose Reels.....
" Horse Hose Carriages and Carts.....
" Horse Hose Wagons.....

Water Works, both direct and gravity pressure;owned by pri company.

Ninety pounds pressure required for fire service; for domestic vice, Ninety pounds.

Telephone Electric Fire Alarm System.

Thirty-five fire alarms from June 1st. 1900, to June 1st. 1901.

Accident to firemen—days lost. 20.

Our department will be represented.

The writer after eighteen years of service, as Chief, has vo tarily retired from the position and has been succeeded by Mr. R McDuffie. I am still in the service as foreman of our time hon Engine Company.

HENDERSON DEPARTMENT.

Chief. W. T. Whitten, elected by Commissioners; term ex June. 30th. 1902.

Three Companies, Volunteer.

Nelson Hose Company, Reel. 18 men (white); Foreman, 1 Arnson; Secretary, J. P. Hayden.

Enterprise Hose Company. Reel. 20 men (colored): Foreman. N. rtis: Secretay. J. S. Rowland.
Red Warsp Hook and Ladder Company, 16 men (colored); Fore- . H. Durham; Secretary J. S. Hart.
Apparatus not in use: Reel and 300 feet Hose.

Hand Hose Reels	3
Hand Hook and Ladder Trucks	1
Feet Cotton Hose	1,500
e of real estate used for fire purposes	$ 3,000.00

Water Works. stand pipe, direct pressure: owned by private com-

Ninety pounds pressure required for fire service; for domestic ser- fifty pounds.
Telephone Electric Fire Alarm System.
Ten fire alarms from June 1st, 1900, to June 1st, 1901.
Our department will be represented.

Respectfully submitted,

L. J. TAYLOR,

Statistician.

Statistician's Report was adopted.

ident McNeill:

et me suggest, in the interest of the advancement of the work, ry chief present, when you get blanks mailed to you, fill them once. The officers usually have to write and write to get needed nation. Just think of the postage that is wasted, to say nothing loss of time.

Riggin, of Winston:

ave received no blanks at all. It may be that they are simply sed to the chief of fire department, and are put into the box of decessor and misplaced.

dent McNeill:

stated in my report to you, at the last session of our State Leg- e, I had passed a bill, which is now a statute law of the State. want to say in explanation that here is an Act, absolutely com- y upon the Board of Aldermen of every incorporated town in ate, to elect such an officer, and he must receive compensation services. Wherever there are penalties attached for the non- ent of duty, there must be compensation for those duties. You e same right that a justice or judge has, in the investigation of natters, for it is now obligatory upon said chief to make such in- tion.

he bill is as follows:

AN ACT TO CREATE THE OFFICE OF "CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT
DECREASE THE FIRE WASTE OF THE STATE.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA DO ENACT:

SECTION 1.—That there is hereby created in the cities and porated towns of the State where not already established by thei ters the office of "Chief of Fire Department." It shall be the d said "Chief of Fire Department" to do and preform the duties pre ed in chapter 58, Public Laws of 1899, and acts amendatory th and such other duties as are prescribed in the charters and ordi of the cities and towns of the State.

SEC. 2.—That where it is not fixed in the charters of said citi towns, it shall be the duty of the Boards of Aldermen and Co sioners in each city and town to elect such officer, and to fix th of office, prescribe the duties and obligations and compensati "Chief of Fire Department" and change the duties and compen from time to time, not inconsistent with the duties as prescri chapter 58, Public Laws 1899, and acts amendatory thereof.

SEC. 3.—That where said duties are not prescribed by the ch or Board of Control of incorporated cities and towns, it shall duty of said "Chief of Fire Department," in addition to the dutie scribed in chapter 58, Public Laws of 1899, to preserve and car the fire apparatus, to have charge of the fighting and putting out fires, to make annual reports to their city or town governmen seek out and have corrected all places and conditions dangerous safety of the city from fire, to look after buildings being erected a view to their safety from fires and to do and perform such duties as may be prescribed by the governing boards of the s cities and towns.

SEC. 4.—This act shall be in force from and after its ratificat

In the General Assembly read three times, and ratified this th day of March, A. D. 1901.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE.

RALEIGH, June 10, 1

I, J. Bryan Grimes, Secretary of State, hereby certify that th going (manuscript) is a true copy of the original act on file in th fice.

J. BRYAN GRIMES,
Secretary of St

You are given broad, liberal power which are needful for th lic safety.

It is now the duty of every little town that has no fire d ment, to have an organization of some description—that they one fire officer, whose duties are laid down, and who is to receiv pensation commensurate with those duties. In Charlotte thi amount to considerable; in some little towns the amount w small. You are to be furnished with blanks from the Insurance missioner and you must fill them up, and if there is any reason to that there has been fraud or carelessness, or neglect report the so that the State can have them investigated. In this way we w duce the fire losses and the insurance premiums.

spent Monday in Greensboro to meet some of the State Insurance anies, and they asked me to come before this convention, and pre- t for a proposition that they desire to make. They asked me to em come before a committee of chiefs to-morrow and then before onvention to-morrow night, and submit the following proposition: will give to any fireman, who may be designated as the proper nder the provision of this Act,) to see to the performance ies looking to the inspection of buildings, the erection of build- ooking out for risks, etc., five per cent. of the premium receipts t town. I have looked into this and it will amount to between nd five thousand dollars, which is a nice little sum to go into the s of our men. These companies will be before you at our ad- d meeting, and I am going to ask you careful consideration. had hoped to have Mr. Young, our State Insurance Commissioner s; he assured me that he would come, if possible, but I am just in t of a letter from him, stating that he has been called off in this usiness of trying to locate some fire bugs.

take pleasure in reading you his letter:

J. D. McNEILL, PRESIDENT, AND MEMBERS OF THE NORTH CAR- LINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, CHARLOTTE, N. C.

ntlemen:—Allow me to thank you and the members of your as- on for your kind invitation to be present at your convention and ment in the city of Charlotte, on the 23, 24, 25 and 26th insts. express to you my deep regret that I now find it impossible to

would have indeed afforded me great pleasure to have met with , not only personally and socially, but because of our common ts in the welfare of our state, especially in the duty with which charged, the decreasing of the fire waste in the state and the to her citizens of thousands of dollars annually.

.—I would congratulate you and the members of your association e fine prospects for a full meeting and a pleasant time in the ble city of Charlotte. It can but be a great benefit to each one personally in your work to meet together annually and devise thods for fighting fires. The success of your association is a of great congratulation to you and your associates. To those ve watched its progress and work, it is obvious that as your as- n has been built up in the state, there has been throughout the tate an increase of interest in the work of firemen and a decid- ovement in the great work that they are accomplishing in the out of fires in the different cities and towns of the state. The of the work throughout the state and the increased efficiency re departments will be largely due to the success of your as- n and the great work that it has undertaken.

.—I wish to call your attention to an act passed by the last leg- entitled, "An Act to Create the Office of Chief of Fire Depart- d Decrease the Fire waste in the State."

ler this act, chapter 677 of the Public Laws of 1901, there is in every city and town of the state an officer to be known as of Fire Department", and it is made his duty to perform all the equired under chapter 58, Public Laws of 1899, and acts amend- ereof, as well as to do and perform such duties as are prescrib- e charters and ordinances of the different cities and towns of

the state. It is made the duty of the Board of Aldermen and Con sioners to fix the term of office, prescribe the duties, obligations compensations of this officer and also to elect him unless it is o wise provided in the charter. The duties prescribed for this o are largely those that are discharged by a like officer in cities towns whose charters provide for such officers. It is made his du have charge of the fire apparatus, to have charge of the fighting o fires, to make annual reports to his town officers, to seek out and corrected all places and conditions dangerous to the city from fire. look after buildings being erected, especially as to their safety fires.

You will readily see how important this office has been in the and how its importance is increased by this act.

3rd.—I desire to call your attention to chapter 387 of the P Laws of 1901, which amended chapter 58 of the Public Laws of by this act the duties and responsibilities of the Chiefs of Fire De ments are largely increased, especially in regard to investigating causes of all fires and reporting to this department the result of investigations. I would like especially to emphasize the fact to members of your association that every fire occurring in their cit town must be reported to this department, and that where there suspicious circumstances attending the same there must be a specia vestigation and special report to this department. You will ob that a heavy penalty is fixed for the non-compliance with this law

I trust you will pardon my calling the attention of your men to the duty under this act of examining all premises in their cit towns, and having removed everything that is dangerous to th from a fire point of view. This is the most important perventive we can have, and there is no reason, if this work is properly don the different departments are kept in efficient order, why the fire in North Carolina and the unnecessary destruction of property s not be reduced to a minimum

4th.—Again expressing my regrets at my inability to be pr with you, as I am called to the investigaton of incendiary fire at lumbia, Tyrrell County, or perhaps it would be better to say to the of the supposed incendiary. This trial takes place on the 23rd inst it will be impossible for me to be there attend the trial, and reach Charlotte before your adjournment. I beg to assure you an members of your association of my appreciation of your servic the past and of the aid and courtesies extended to this departmen assure you I am ready at all times to co-operate with you in this work and give you whatever information or aid that can come my department. I trust that you will not hesitate to call upon any time in regard to any the matters affecting fires and their inves tions, as well as the removal of dangerous fire causes, and when members are in the city of Raleigh, I will be pleased to have then on me at this department.

I am with best wishes to you personally and for the success of convention,

Very truly yours,

JAMES R. YOUNG,

Insurance Commissio

This letter shows you the interest that the highest official i State is taking in these matters, and where you can be of much s to your fellow-citizens in future. From this time, the office of will be very desirable, and all firemen will have the chance of pr

I want every chief to get a copy of this Act of the Legislature e he leaves this room, and if it is complied with, you will see at next meeting, the most marked results. I beg you to give this mat- our earnest consideration. I ask for Mr. McAlister, who will re- nt these companies and present this proposition, your careful at- on.

It was moved, seconded and carried, that Mr. Young's r be recorded in the Minutes of the Convention, and he be thanked for the same,

Secretary VonGlahn read the following letter :

OFFICE OF CHIEF FIRE DEPARTMENT

CHARLESTON, S. C., July 19th, 1901.

CAMPBELL, Esq.,
Chairman Adv. Committee,
Charlotte, N. C.

ear Sir:—Please excuse me for not answering your card of July efore this, and also for not acknowledging recetpt of those but- nd circulars. All the articles have come to hand, and have been l by the captain of the team of the Charleston Hose Reel Associa- n conspicuous places to the best advantage.

he boys seem to be "stuck" on Charlotte, and I regret very much cannot be with them, but I am not able to get off, on account of absent for a month in August. My assistant would come, but his nother has been so sick for some time, that he may expect at any to see her for the last time. The boys speak so glowingly of their ent received from the people of Charlotte while there the last that they could not withstand the invitation so generously ex- l, to come again.

he Exposition Committee wants me to make out a program for men's Day, some time during next spring, for the Exposition, want to ask your assistance in making suggestions for a program. can bring this up in the North Carolina State Convention, and ain if we can get all the North Carolina Teams to back us up heir presence here, I would certainly appreciate it, and Firemen's our Exposition would be a roaring success.

With best regards, I am,
Yours very truly,
O. G. MARZENHOFF,
Chief of Fire Department.

CAMPBELL :

m personally acquainted with Chief Marzenhoff, and I am satis- hat if the North Carolina Firemen can go to Charleston, they will good time. He believes that we are up-to-date on all matters urnament nature, and appeals to this Association to assist him in g up a program for Firemen's Day at their Exposition, and I t would be a good idea to assist our good brethren. Charleston

was with us the last 20th of May, and some of them will be here to-row to enter the contests. I think it would be a good idea for the (to appoint a committee and let this committee report to Chief zenhoff that we are ready to assist him, and if he wants to give a fu invitation to the State Firemen's Association to be with him, he ca it through this committee. I move that we appoint a committe correspond with Chief Marzenhoff.

President McNEILL:

I think the matter can be made a fine feature of the Exposi which will draw a good attendance. Mr. Campbell's motion has seconded; the Chair will appoint a committee of five to act upon matter.

MR. GATTIS, of Goldsboro:

I move that the committee be made of three and that it be posed of the officers of this Association.

President McNEILL:

I believe I can pick out five men, outside of the Executive Man ment, who will be better calculated to get up an attractive progra

It was moved, seconded and adopted that a Commi of five be appointed, to act with the Executive Board.

Committee:

GATTIS, of Goldsboro, RICHARDSON, of Newbern,
TAYLOR, of Greensboro, MILLER, of Concord,
MADDRY, of Durham.

R. C. TAYLOR:

I would like to make an amendment to the correction made in Proceedings of last meeting, in regard to the Hook and Ladder (tests; that such correction apply after this meeting, or after the H and Ladder contests of this meeting. That the present contest governed by the rules as printed on page 62 of those Proceedings.

MR. GATTIS, of Goldsboro:

I move that a committee of three, with the officers of this Asso tion, be a Committee on Rules, to interpret these rules, their deci to be final. In short, I move that we have a Committee on the In pretation of Rules.

Greensboro firemen find themselves confronted by a Rule that not incorporated in the printed rules.

MR. DOUGLASS:

I am interested in this, as I am a member of the Greensboro partment. I am the man that drew up that Amendment. We are raising a point of order; we are not contending that this rule, as reted, was not passed, but we have simply introduced a motion th

l not apply in the present contests. At the tournament held be-
, the men were required to touch the bottom and top rounds of the
er; they wrote the Secretary of the Association for a copy of the
s; the Secretary sent them the rule as printed, which said nothing
e world about the bottom round; it was sent as an official rule; on
next page it is stated that the judges shall be govened by the above
It now appears that something was left out which was passed
e Wilmington meeting, and which has been put back into the
. The Greensboro people have had no notice of such rule and
never practiced by it, and are practically cut out of the tourna-
. We ask as a favor and a right, that these rules apply only after
present contests. No possible harm can come from such applica-
It will be much easier to leave this off for some, than to put it
others. It seems to me that after a rule has been printed, that
only proper for the present contests to be carried out under such

RIGGIN:

judge that they have been practicing jumping, instead of climb-
This rule was adopted at the last meeting. That there has been
take, I admit, and it is very unfortunate, but it is not our fault.
Greensboro delegates should have reported the proceedings of the
ention. I do not think we should change it at all. Our boys have
climbing that way and we have no jumpers,

DOUGLASS:

t was the Association's fault that Greensboro did not know the
If their delegates had stated that they remembered the rule as
so and so, and the official rule would come out differently, by
would they go—by their own delegates, or by the officers of the
ention? We are not asking to be allowed to jump; all we ask is
he rule stand as printed, and the judges interpret accordingly,
is contests. We asked for information and practiced by the rule
t us.

AMERSON:

have been a member of the Association some little while, though
not met with you in three years, and I always understood at
tournaments we practiced actual fire service, and not a play ser-
The man who goes to the top of the ladder and comes back the
est, is the man who does the work, no matter whether he falls up
or jumps. If he can get to the top of the ladder by touching
und, why touch only one round.

TAYLOR, of Winston:

efore we went to Wilmington, the Winston hook and ladder men
en practicing not touching the bottom round; after we got there,
hanged the rule and made us touch the bottom round, and I do
ink it will be right to make us run some other way from how we
practiced, the second time.

MR. DOUGLASS:

Mr Taylor says that they practiced without touching the bo round, and then were compelled to touch it; this is not a like their rule had been that you do not have to touch the bottom r and every company was made to touch it. Here the other comp have practiced touching the bottom round, but through official ne our men have not so practiced, and we are the only people who w hurt if this rule is changed, be allowed to govern in the present t ament. We took every precaution that a prudent man would be dis to take; we got a plain response from head-quarters, and it would been an insult to the officer if we had written back that we did n lieve his statement.

MR. FULLUM:

I have found, in the races, that companies some times take a boy, who would hang on, half-way up the ladder, who had only t twelve feet to go up. There is no science in any such fire servi that, and while I am not interested this year, this rule was adopt Wilmington and we ran by it.

Who made the rules as printed in our Proceedings?

President MCNEILL:

These rules constitute the combined wisdom of all firemen the days of King Solomon until the present time. All in favor o motion made by the Greensboro gentleman, that the Rule, as ame to-night be operative after the 1901 Contests, and that the present tests be governed by the rule as printed in the Proceedings of th meeting, make it known by saying Aye. Ayes: 62, opposing vote

MR. ORR.

Mr. President, the Charlotte Reel Team and the Pioneers do have a vote in anything.

Secretary VONGLAHN:

They have not been enrolled this year.

President MCNEILL:

Delegates to this Convention must be beneficiary members of Association. A company once a member is a member for all the but it must have beneficiary members enough to elect delegates would only be necessary to have two members.

MR. ORR:

We have paid our dues.

MR. STONE:

I have been a member since the North Carolina State Firem Association was organized until last year. For about a year a half I have not belonged to any regular fire department. Is it n ary for me to join as an individual member, or as an exempt firem

esident McNEILL:

You must be a member of some organized company, or you can under the individual clause.

retary VonGLAHN:

When the chief of the department sends in a list of the members he Charlotte paid department, including the members of the neer Reel Team, and Reel Team No. 1, how is the Secretary to know they are divided?

, ORR:

We sent our money and we thought you had a proper list.

sident McNEILL:

The Chair would rule that both Swinson and Orr have as much to vote in this Convention as any one else, and the same will ap- o Salisbury. This is not an organization of fire departments, but mpanies. Messrs. Swinson and Orr will take the names of their from the Charlotte fire department and apportion them to the er companies.

STONE:

As Secretary of the Tournament Committee, the following letter nanded to me by the Chief of the fire department:

Augusta, Ga., July 18th, 1901.

. Irvine,

Chief of Fire Department, Charlotte, N. C.

Dear Sir:—A Delegation from Augusta will visit your city, during Gala week, for the purpose of inviting all of the fire companies rth and South Carolina, to participate in a Firemen's Tourna- we purpose to have, commencing on October 15th, lasting for days. We have offered the following prizes:

Horse Hose Wagon Race, 1st prize, $200.00, 2nd prize, 100.00.
Hand Reel Race, 1st prize, $250.00, 2nd prize, $100.00.
Crab Reel Race, 1st prize, $75.00, 2nd prize, $50.00.

shall be among the crowd who will visit your beautiful city, and ill appreciate anything you might do for us, in helping us secure companies. I had the pleasure of seeing a program sent to a man of this city, and seeing your name, I thought I would drop line, as I know you can be of great service to us.

lease accept thanks in advance. With best wishes for a grand ss, during your Gala week, I remain,

Respectfully yours,

J. B. KEENER,

Chairman.

We expect Mr. Keener to be here in time to attend meeting.

MR. GATTIS:

On page 70, of the Wilmington Proceedings, in Article 6, Se 1, governing Amendments, as follows:

SECTION 1.—This Association shall hvae power to alter, amen revise this Constitution and By-Laws, but it shall be necessary f two-thirds vote of the members of the Associaton present entitl vote: provided, the proposed admendment shall be submitted in ing at a previous meeting of the Executive Committee.

President MCNEILL:

The Rules regulating Tournaments are not a part of the Cons tion of our Association. From pages 67 to 75 we can change noth except in compliance with the section you have just read. The governing tournaments begin on page 55.

I have received the following pos al cards:

Kinston, N. C., July 22nd, 19

President J. D- McNeill:—Let me extend to you and the Ass tion now in Charlotte, the hope that you may have one of the best ventions you have ever held, and let me also say that you and Convention will have with you, the present Honorable Mayor of ston—Bro. Geo. B. Webb—no better man or fireman living—a m round. With best wishes,

JNO. D. TAYLOR,
Chief.

P. S.—I hope Bro. Webb will ask this Association to meet wi in 1902.

Kinston, N. C., July 18th, 19

Mr. C. H. Campbell:—Your package containg posters came in time; we will send our Mayor, George B. Webb to be with you a hope he will bring back a good report.

Yours,
JNO. D. TAYLOR,
Chief

President MCNEILL:

I want the Captains of any contesting Engine Companies, Wagons and Hook and Ladder Companies, to remain after this m ing, in order to draw up their places in the Contests of this Tou ment. It has been customarv for each contesting team to have presentative on the Board of Judges.

MR. GATTIS:

I suggest that timers be appointed who are familiar with duties.

MR. SWINSON:

I have been requested by the Spencer Department to say that Hydrant out at the course is very bad, and entirely unsatisfactory

MORGAN, from Spencer:

here is not the proper amount of pressure; there is something in uge, so you can only turn it so far; the guage shows fifty-five s. when I feel sure there is not thirty pounds pressure.

CAMPBELL:

is is a question that it it not necessary to be brought before the tion. The Water Works Company of this city has done every-possible to make this Tournament a success; it has put in a brand ydrant which has never been used before, and if anything is let us know what the trouble is, and it will be remedied. The was tested on the Square, and variation was just one pound.

dent McNEILL:

. Campbell's efforts to make this Tournament a success have eserving, and he has certainly used every means in his power to e the interests of the occasion, and there can be no question but erything will be done by the Charlotte Water Works, that can make it perfect.

MORGAN:

ish to say that I did not know, but it appeared to me that the e was slow—I do not wish to make any trouble; if the balance , we can.

was moved, seconded and carried, to adjourn until esday night, July 24th, at 8:30 p. m.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT.

he Convention was called to order by Vice-President n, at 8:30 o'clock.

President RIGGIN:

e first business before the Convention is the appointment of the e Committee. How shall we appoint it?

was moved, seconded and adopted that the Chair nt a Committe of three to examine the books.

ommittee appointed:

Chief PHIPPS, of Greensboro,
R. C. TAYLOR, of Winston,
W. S. ORR, of Charlotte.

ILLER, of Concord:

nderstood our President to say that under miscellaneous busi-night have a word in regard to our company at Concord. On

page 69, of the Wilmington Proceedings, in Article III, Section
companies represented in this Association must be in full accor
in good standing in the Fire Department where they are loctaed
if at any time they are not so, they shall forfeit all right to me
ship in this Association; but that Companies who retire from a
service for a term of not more than two years shall be considere
titled to all privileges of the Convention.

Kindly explain.—The Concord Hose and Reel Company wa
banded by our Commissioners last October. Since that time, as
of the Concord Department, I have heard nothing of this Organiz
Kindly explain if that organization is entitled to memerbship i
Association

Secretary VONGLAHN :

The Concord Hose and Reel Company has been a member of
Association for several years, and paid their dues this year.
knowing the troubles of the Department there, I received a letter
the Concord Hose and Reel Company, No. 1, (the first Compan
having a number at the end of it), and I wrote them that there w
have to be paid an initiation fee, it being a new Company. The
Company had already sent in their dues and were enrolled.

MR. MILLER :

Concord does not recognize them, and I know nothing about
they haven't a foot of hose and no apparatus. We have an ordi
with a penalty of $50.00 if any one interferes with a fireman
performance of his duty

Vice-President RIGGIN :

I do not see how we could recognize a Company that is not r
nized by the town.

MR. MILLER :

I wish to read the following action of the Commissioners f
town of Concord :

It was ordered by the Board of Commissioners that the Co
Hose and Reel Company of the town of Concord, N. C., be a
same is hereby declared disbanded. It was further ordered that a
mittee of three be appointed to take the lists presented by th
factions of the old fire company to the board and select therefro
present at the next meeting the names of twenty-five men to be
ized into a Fire Company known as the Concord Hose and Reel
pany, No. 1.

J. B. CALDWELL,
R. F. COBLE,
GEORGE W. BROWN,
Committ

This December 20th, 1900.

HE HON. MAYOR AND BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

Gentlemen:—We, your committee appointed to select and present e next meeting the names of twenty-five men to be organized into e Company, known as the Concord Hose and Reel Company, No. g leave to present the following named men, viz:

. L. Miller, W. E. Isenhour, J. N. Cook. R. W. Johnson. R. L. hall, J. B. Willeford, Rolland Harris, F. C. Carroll, E. F. Gold Jno. W. Propst, G. M. Murr, H. G. Ritz. J. C. Foil, R. A. Sappen- P. A Dry, A. D. Frieze, J. M. Sills, H. L. Bost, J. L. Brown, E. oneycutt, S. C. Biles, A. C. Russell, Frank Brumly, F. H. Barrin- F O. Crowell.

J. B. CALDWELL,
G. W. BROWN,
Committee.

Report was received and adopted:

nd it was further ordered that J. L. Miller be authorized and in- ted to notify each member of his election and to get up Constitu- nd By-Laws, and organize said company within the next ten to be know as "The Concord Hose and Reel Company, No. 1." s further ordered that the maximum limit to membership be y-five.

his, December 21st, 1900.

IE HON. MAYOR AND BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

entlemen:—As your committee, appointed at the last meeting I submit the following: That I have notified all the parties named ir instructions and have succeeded in organizing a Fire Company known as the Concord Hose and Reel Company, No. 1, as per request. The following named persons have become members:

. L. Miller, Jno. W. Propst, H. G. Ritz, L, C. Biles, R. W. John- . C. Foil, O. C. Russell, R, L. Walthall, R. A. Sappenfield, J. B ford, P. A, Dyr, T. H. Barringer, Rolland Harris, A. D. Frieze, Crowell, F. C. Carroll, J. M. Sills, E. M. Honeycutt, E. T. Gold- I only regret that the entire list of men did not become mem-

J. L. MILLER,
Committee.

Report accepted, this January 24th, 1901.

TH CAROLINA,
ARRUS COUNTY,
OF CONCORD.

Jno. L. Miller, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners for the of Concord, N. C., do hereby certify that the foregoing are true orrect copies of the Proceedings of said Board of Commissioners ir several meetings held on December 20th and 21st, 1900, and ary 24th, 1901.

witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of of- office in Concord, this 28th day of February, 1901.

JNO. L. MILLER,
Clerk.

The Committee further reports that they find. from the Cer copies of the records of the Board of Commissioners for the to Concord, that since the last meeting of this Association, the ' cord Hose and Reel Company" was disbanded, under and pu to a resolution and order of said Board of Commissioners, and was organized, under a resolution and order of said Board, "The cord Hose and Reel Company, No. 1," which latter organizatior the members thereof is the only organization and parties of our entitled to membership in this Association and its benefits, payment of dues, after the 1st of June, next.

That said certified copies are made a part of this Report and with filed.

President McNeill takes the Chair.

I was invited out to a stag dinner, where there were six or courses, and am a little late, but knowing that the 1st and 2nd Presidents were present, I gave myself no trouble. The only w is that I am here at all.

There has existed in Concord for some years, a company k as the Hose and Reel Company; there was trouble among them which resulted in the formation of a new company—the Co Hose and Reel Company, No. 1. The old company is a mem this Association, and paid its dues for 1901. Company No. 1, h so joined and paid its dues. Section 4 in Article III was in in the By-Laws, to cover troubles in any department, cov a period of two years—this to cover any political troubles that arise, or troubles from a change of administration in city go ment. It strikes me that a company has the right to remain a ber of this Association for a term of two years, whether in acti vice or not.

MR. LUMSDEN :

Have they paid their dues?

President MCNEILL :

Yes.

MR. MILLER :

I am trying to arrive at, what shall be done in January, 190

President MCNEILL :

They may not apply for membership. Let us wait until time; when we will do what we think is for the best interests of and the convention.

MR. MILLER :

They have tried to be recognized by the tonw—first by t administration and then under the new. We only want to do is right.

ident McNEILL :

'nless you sign a voucher, they can get no benefit from the iation.

When we adjourned, we were under the head of misneous business. On page 39 of Wilmington Proceed-, a Committee was appointed; is that Committee ready port ?

GAYLES :

ne only member present.

That Committee in not ready to report.

dent McNEILL :

here was another matter left over on page 50; the following tion by Mr. Phipps:

ESOLVED: That it is the sense of this meeting that the President tructed to buy one racing cart to weigh not less than 100 pounds e same kept by the Association for the purpose of all hand reel ts, and each and every team be required to use same at tourna- n contests for all future prizes.

t was moved, seconded and carried that the above n be tabled.

ORR :

our program for to-morrow, we have the Championship Reel Contest at 9 o'clock, the Junior Reel Team Contest at 11, the Reel Race at 2 and the Grab Reel Race at 5 o'clock; it would o me to be a good idea to run them all off in the morning, and t of the hot sun; then if any of the boys wish to go to the ball n afternoon——

CHAMBERLAIN :

e did not come here to see the ball games, and it is mighty hot men out till the middle of the day.

MILLER :

here any required time in which notice must be given to enter mpionship race. We would like to enter, not that we expect but we would like to be in the push.

lent McNEILL :

l right; the Concord Reel Team, No. 1, can enter. Is there any eam that would like to run? I think we could run the entire n off by 1 p. m., or if the Convention sees fit, we will run some norning, and some in the afternoon, as per program.

MR. MORGAN, from Spencer:

I am opposed to all being run in the morning; there are only teams in the championship race, and those men will go into the L Reel race all tired out—making two runs to the others' one.

MR. PHIPPS:

I move the races be run continuously until finished.

Motion lost by one vote.

President MCNEILL:

As stated to you last night, a Committee of Chiefs was appo last night to meet Mr. McAlister at noon today. Is there any r from the Chiefs on this subject?

MR. GREEN:

I understand that the last Legislature has enacted a Law, w by all of the departments in all of the towns and cities, and the missioners in the incorporated towns, may appoint a Fire Co sioner or Chief of the department of the town, and impose upo certain duties prescribed and for which a certain compensation be granted. Mr. McAlister represents three Fire Insurance Comp in NorthCarolina,and is willing to add to the amount that the cit contribute—say 5 per cent. of the premiums (net) received fro town: The Legislature passed a law to do one thing, and Mr. M ter wants another thing; he wants the Chief of the fire depar to be clothed with authority to inspect buildings, to pass upon construction and condition, to have the right to summons men him and investigate how the fire originated, and he can then evidence is sufficient, refer it to the State Commissioner at Ra and have the parties prosecuted.

Mr. McAlister goes still further and says that if B is erect house that A. thinks will conflict with a house already built, t has the right and authority to prohibit it erection, so you can se the authority invested under that appointment would be a great er. You might want to build a house next door to your nei this man can prohibt you doing it, and the law will up-hold h so doing. I understand that it is the idea of the Association to c these two thing together. If the Board of Aldermen think th willing to invest this party with such power, it is alright, but more power than an ordinary Fire Commissioner has, or any man in any town in North Carolina has. The Chief of the fire d ment has no control over property in the town; he has charg city during a fire, but that is as far as his duties go, but und new law, putting the two together, he has various and imp duties, from which there is no appeal, except to the Commissio Raleigh, and if he sustains, that is the end of it.

I have drawn up a resolution that I thought I would introd you, but I think it best to hold that until after Mr. McAlister his remarks before the Association. That is the idea I have from reading his proposition: I have tried to present it in the pl

ner possible. If we are willing, after he makes his argument, ıdorse the same, and send a man out into the field and get Boards ldermen to appoint such a man, and invest him with such au- ity, if there will be any odium it will fall upon us.

TAYLOR, of Greensboro :

[would like for Mr. McAlister to make his statement; I do not k Mr. Green has understood his proposition at all.

MCALSTER :

PRESIDENT AND GENTLEMEN :

[have promised not to detain you but a little while, and I would to say, in the beginning, that Mr. Green has misunderstood our osition entirely; I do not think I said anything to warrant the lusion that he has reached—that I would clothe any body with -ordinary power. The kind of ordinance that we expect to ask s and towns to adopt is the same that Salem has had for an hun- years, and from the history of that town, it would seem that it een a most wise one. In behalf of the companies I represent, I want to secure good ordinances, looking to improved construc- that is all, and they are willing to pay for this, and this pay- t will go into the pockets of the chiefs.

The subject of my remarks is

FIRE PREVENTION.

LEMEN OF THE NORTH CARCLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION :

he subject of "fire prevention" to which I wish to direct the at- on of the people and especially the firemen of North Carolina is which has heretofore had little notice, The importance of the ct will appear at once when one considers how much easier and er it is by a little care and circumspection to prevent a fire than o control it after it has started. There is no better example of uth of the homely adage that "an ounce of prevention is worth nd of cure." Too often the fire bells are the signal for the ex- ve outlay of a pound of cure which might have been saved by an e of prevention, It is not my intention to detract anything from onorable record and the great unselfish work of the firemen of n Carolina. Their noble mission is to save life and property from re destroyer and nobly have they fulfilled it and it does not in way discredit the glory of their achievement to suggest that their e can be improved upon and made more efficient. Yours is es- ly an organization to fight fire; but if it were also an organiza- o prevent fire, its efficacy for fighting would be in no way im- l and its usefulness as a protector of life and property would be asurably enhanced. In the cities and towns of Europe, much tion is given to this subject of preventing fires and the result is ver there insurance rates are much lower and the fire waste far han in this country, notwithstanding the fact that the American an is a better fighter of fire than the European fireman, and that rican cities are far ahead of European cities in their facilities

and appliances for fighting fire. The reason for this anomaly is far to find. In America we fight fire, in Europe they prevent The fire waste in this country is not less than six times greater t that of any other country. Statistics show that the average an property loss by fire in Europe is 46 cents per capita, while in United States it is 2-49 per capita. The fire loss of the United St and Canada for the last two years reached the appalling sum of $ 000 000.00, and continues to increase in spite of all improvements additions, such as the improved fire alarm system, the teleph sprinkler equipment, chemical extingusher, etc., which this progressive age has produced to fight fire with. In the face of su record the conclusion cannot be escaped that the best way to fire is to prevent it as they do in the old countries

HALF OF THE FIRES ARE PREVENTABLE.

Perhaps half of the fires that occur are preventable and if will consider the wear and tear to man and beast, to fire engines, other appliances involved in every run made for a fire, some idea be had as to the saving that would result from the prevention of t preventable fires, without going any further to consider what much greater importance the immense saving of property which w result. The prevention of fire is perhaps a prosy business comp with the excitement of fighting it, and would deprive the firem many an exciting run, and would have no interest for them if were in the business merely for the excitement and fun of it; b happens that this is a serious business and that they fully reco the weight of its responsibility, and it may be safely assumed, the men who volunteer without reward or hope of reward to pr their neighbors in their persons and their property against the ra of fire will not count that their best service has been rendered, no duty done until they are organized for preventing disaster as we for combating it. In no way can the work of firemen be dign more and made more honorable than by imparting to it in this the highest degree of efficiency.

FIREMEN SHOULD DEMAND GOOD BUILDING LAWS

There are many ways in which the firemen can contribute t prevention of fire, and perhaps in no way more effectually tha demanding that the municipality to which his services are shall use reasonable diligence in preventing these catastropes w he is expected to take care of after they come. If a fire affected the property on which it originates, it would perhaps be no pa the business of a city or town government to take cognizance of i since the burning of a building not only endangers adjoining buil but may menace a whole community, fire is not only a public ance, but in its effects is frequently the greatest of public nuisa and it ought to be under the ban of the law and public senti just as any other public nuisance. Every time a fire comes and any headway by getting beyond the control of the firemen eve an hour, it entails a heavy loss upon the community, and al heavier than the community realizes. It interrupts business a together involves about as much loss and trouble as an epidemic what we want is such a public sentiment in every community t fire will be regarded with the same disfavor as a case of smallpo

It is, therefore, not only proper, but it is the plain duty of

or town to enact and enforce such rigid ordinances as are neces-
to to secure the safe construction of buildings, the proper hand-
of combustibles, and explains the proper disposition of ashes,
r and waste, and the general observance of those rules for the pre-
ion of accident which experience has established. The men who
themselves in readiness day and night to risk their lives for the
non good, have preminentlythe right to demand that the mun-
lity which they serve gratis shall exercise a little ordinary care
prudence and do its part by requiring its citizens to follow those
lards of construction which have proven to be the safest and best,
to observe such precautions as experience has shown to be of
e in the prevention of accidental fires, and when a fire occurs to
erly account for it to the municipal authorities so that the cause
be established. Every city or town owes this much to it fire-
its voluntary public servants who have to bear the brunt when
our of calamity comes, to co-operate with them by such regula-
to the end that they may be called from their business and the
orts of their homes to fight fire, no oftener than is necessary
navoidable. And every city or town owes it to itself to enforce
regulations as a matter of good business policy in the interest of
c economy; for there is perhaps more loss and waste to the aver-
ommunity resulting from preventable fires than from any other
. The taking up of ashes in other than metal vessels is a fre-
t cause of disaster and is a proper subject for municipal legisla-
The careless disposition of gasoline and other explosives is a
ant menace to both life and property, and is a species of culpable
gence for which the municipality should impose a penalty. A
percentage of dwelling house fires results from defective con-
tion of flues, it is therefore proper for a community to require
r penalty that flues shall be properly constructed. Conflagra-
are the result of defective construction of buildings, it is there-
minently proper for a town government to exclude frame build-
rom the "fire limits" and to require that division walls shall be
ndard thickness. And if it is within the jurisdiction of town
nments to exercise control in these matters, it follows that when
occurs the cause of it should be investigated by the municipal
rities with a view to fixing the responsibility, or if accidental
he accident may be avoided in future. This investigation should
an official nature, the owner and occupant of the building in
the fire occurs and other witnesses being examined under
and this investigation should be made in every case, regardless
o the parties are and what the circumstances are. When fires
nest, such investigations will be no hardship to anyone, and
vill be of inestimable value to the community in restraining
on the one hand and by way of education to the community
other by having its attention directed to the cause of every
at occurs.

he General Assembly of North Carolina enacted a law creating
fice of chief of fire department in all cities and incorporated
of the State. The law further provides that this chief of fire
ment in every city or town shall perform the duties of fire
all and building inspector, that is investigate fires and pass up-
construction and condition of buildings. The law is a most
ent one but being merely directory and no provision being made
compensation of the office, it is practically a dead letter so
the inspection of buildings is concerned.

It will cost something to enforce such measures. The ci town will have to appoint some member of its fire department inspector whose duty it shall be to see that the ordinances ar served, and such an officer will have to be paid something for service, his compensation varying with the size of the town; bu returns for such an outlay in security of person and property a property saved from the disaster of fire would be incalculable.

PLAN FOR COMPENSATING INSPECTORS.

I recently addressed a circular letter to the managers of eve surance company doing business in North Carolina, calling atte to this suject of municipal co-operation for the prevention of fire proposing that the insurance companies contribute to the expen such a system of municipal inspections and inviting their co tion to this end. The insurance companies so far as I have from them are unanimous in their estimate of the great value of a system, but their concensus of opinion is that it is no part business of insurance companies to pay for the support of any of the municipal machinery and especially for a system of inspe which every town should have for its own protection. They are ably right about this in theory and it may be true that it is not business. It is certain that a municipal tax imposed upon insu companies for this purpose would be unjust and that the val such co-operation on the parts of insurance companies depends ly upon its being voluntary and that the co-operation of other ance companies will come voluntarily as soon as the practicabil the plan has been demonstrated. Fire prevention ought to be a ual business, the insurance companies helping to pay the ex just as long as the municipalities properly enforce the law. The North Carolina companies, with whose management I am iden namely the Southern Stock Mutual Insurance Company, the U writers and the Insurance Department of the Southern Loa Trust Company, all of Greensboro, are so firmly convinced o value of such a system in reducing the fire waste and of its resu economy, and knowing of no other effectual way by which such icipal co-operation can be secured, the directors of the three comp named above have authorized me to make to you the following pr tion: The insurance companies named above will pay into the icipal treasury of each city or town, at the end of each year, fiv cent. of the premiums received from insurance during the ye property within the corporate limits, after deducting the losses by said companies during the year, resulting from fires in th corporate limits, this per centage to be further contingent upo faithful administration and execution of the fire ordinance, this osition being limited to those cities and towns which shall ad building law and fire ordinance satisfactory to said insurance panies providing for the appointment of a thoroughly reliable in or whose duty it shall be to inspect every new building that is ed, and see to it that the rules of standard construction are obs and whose duty it shall be to make at least monthly inspections buildings in the fire limits and to cite before the Mayor any who is found to be using gasoline and other explosives in a m prohibited by the municipal law, or unlawfully disposing of oily rags, waste, rubbish, etc., or in any other way violating t ordinance, and whose duty it shall be further whenever a fire to gather such evidence as is obtainable as to its orgin and su

arties on whose premises the fire orginated, owner and occupant, ve an account of the origin of the fires, such formal investigation ery fire by the local authorities supplementing the very excellent of our Insurance Commissioner on the same line. The adoption igid enforcement of such an ordinance in every city and town orth Carolina would mean an immense curtailment of the fire e and consequently an immense annual saving of property to the le of the State. If we had such a system in operation in my of Greensboro where these three insurance companies have a business, and if the record for premiums and losses during the alf of this year should be maintained during the last half, the ue which the town would receive this year from the insurance anies would be over six hundred dollars, enough to pay almost quite, the entire salary of the inspector. It could be made to out in somewhat the same way in all the larger towns of the , and in the smaller towns where all of the inspector's time would e required, the revenue from these three companies could be to go a long way towards his compensation. On the basis of resent business of these three companies, they would contribute en four and five thousand dollars a year to this branch of the epartment of the State, and it is entirely possible for the busi- f these companies to be advanced to that point that there will under the terms of our proposition an annual revenue of ten and dollars a year for the support of this branch of the fire ser- n North Carolina.

HOW IT WILL WORK OUT.

he objection may be raised that it is possible for the losses in a during a given year to so far reduce the net premium receipts he five per cent. will amount to little or nothing. The import- f this objection will disappear when I tell you that the records best of the three Greensboro companies show that in the year which was an average year, 91 out of 123 towns in which the com- had agencies had no losses, and would have received the entire r cent. under the terms of our proposition, that 105 out of 123 sses of less than ten per cent.; and that only four out of 123 had of one hundred per cent. It is therefore apparent that while e per cent. which we propose to pay is contingent upon the loss- element of chance is small, and can be reduced without limit rigid enforcement of the ordinance. We make it contingent ncentive to the best possible fire record. The revenue for the nsation of the inspector can be supplemented by an inspection f the town authorities were to impose a tax of $2.00 for the in- n of every new store room erected, and 25 cents a room for new buildings, provided that the tax shall in no case exceed the public would not regard such a tax as burdensome and on her hand would feel that they were getting value received. he help of the revenue from the insurance companies and the ion fees any municipality can well afford to assume the sup- such an inspection service as that suggested, and there is no ublic outlay that will yield more satisfactory returns.

REMARKABLE RECORD OF SALEM, N. C.

any one is skeptical as to the value of such a system of muni- spections as that proposed he has only to turn to our own town m, N. C., for the most convincing proof. That town has just

such a fire ordinance as that outlined above, and the inspections were formerly made by ward committees are now made by a pa spector. Their system of inspections for the prevention of fire inaugurated 127 years ago. The people there have experience good fruits of this law and they take pride in its enforcement. inspections are made in the most thorough and systematic ma misplaced ashes, unsafe stove pipes and defective flues being fer out relentlessly. These inspections are in themselves a kind of e tion, and the result is that every native citizen of Salem is thor ly posted as to the rules of standard construction and for the pr tion of fires. Salem has the most remarkable fire record of any in North Carolina, and it would perhaps be safe to say that no in the whole country has a better record. This town has a popul of 3,700 people is 137 years old, and during all this lapse of tin not only never had a conflagration but never had a disastrou This remarkable town has not only never had a disastrous fir has never had a fire when the loss exceeded $750.00, except in instances, two of which were tobacco prizeries burned in the la years, located close to the Winston line and occupied by Wi people, and as these were really Winston business houses we leave them out of our calculations. There was only one dw burned in Salem in over 100 years from 1766. Salem has had but one fire which got beyond the building in which it origi On that occasion the fire started in a small tenant dwelling about $250.00. and burned an adjoining dwelling within twelv of about the same value before the fire was gotton under co During the first 127 years of the town's history, that is up to ten ago, the total property loss was less than $2000 00. The above fi have been taken from carefully preserved records to be found town archives and can be relied upon as acurate. Now Salem vided by a narrow street from her sister city Winston, where no system of municipal inspections is practiced. The loss ratio in ton since its establishment has not been less than 100 per cent., w as the loss ratio in Salem for the same period has been so smal it can be expressed in one figure. It would be hardly fair to that this difference is due altogether to the fact that Salem ha system of inspections to prevent fires and Winston has not, bu not claiming too much to say that the difference is due large this, and to the fact that as a result of these inspections the women and children of Salem are taught how to avoid acciden disaster by having the lesson regularly brought before them th these muicipal inspections.

The annual loss ratio in Salem for over one hundred yea been less than one per cent. of the average annual loss ratio remaining cities and towns of North Carolina. What has been once can be done again, and there is no good reason why this high standard which has been established at Salem cannot be re by any other community. If there could be created in every to North Carolina such a public sentiment on this subject of fire pr tion as flourishes at Salem we would have at work the most pow in fluence for the conservation of wealth that has ever been motion in this State. It is evident that there is involved in th duction of the fire waste a great economic principle whose impor cannot be over estimated.

THE PRINCIPLE OF CO-OPERATION.

I have for several years been endeavoring to work out success-
y in the fire insurance business the idea of co-operation between
rer and insured and I am convinced that the results of the under-
ng warrant carrying the principle one step further, and that co-
ation between insurance companies and municipalities will be as
tful in good results as co-operation between insurance companies
policy holders. This conviction is based upon the fact that the
rests of insurance companies and municipalities as related to the
waste are one and the same, and that all the benefits growing out
ich co-operation will be mutual. If I can be instrumental in secur-
the harmonious working together of the insurance companies and
ities and towns of North Carolina for the prevention of prevent-
fires, I shall be very proud of it, for the economical value of such
nsummation will be beyond the range of calculation, both to the
le of my State and to the business which I represent.

DUTY OF FIREMEN FIRST TO PREVENT FIRE,

Permit me to suggest in closing that the co-operation of the fire-
of a town will contribute much to the effectiveness of the in-
tor. Every fireman should know the rules of safe construction
the rules for fire prevention and should report to the inspector
y violation that he encounters. The sight of ashes in a building
wooden box or a stove pipe projecting through a roof or the side
building ought to excite a fireman no less than a house on fire,
when the firemen of North Carolina recognize that their highest
ce consists in preventing fires and in fighting them when they
ot be longer prevented, then they will become the most useful
most effective fire organization in America.
desire to say in conclusion that it has been a great pleasure to
face to face here in this hospitable city under such happy au-
s the firemen of North Carolina, and in all your undertaking I
you God –speed.

ident McNeill:

his matter was referred, in a briefer manner, to the Committee
on, so that they might have time to digest it. You have heard the
ion now, thoroughly explained. Does any one desire further
ledge upon the subject?

Schnibben:

would like to report favorably.

Maddry:

think it a good suggestion. The Committee that met this after-
decided, I think, to report favorably.

MR. GREEN:

I have drawn up a resolution that I thought I would introd the end of the argument. I do not see that Mr. McAlister and very far apart; I think we stand shoulder to shoulder. The p tried to emphasize was this that any new law, enacted by the le ture, when it goes into effect, will excite a great deal of oppos when it interferes with the rights of an individual. Some body have to stand the blame. A man will have to take his flue down will blame some-body, and for all such provocations, if they fin this plan has been adopted by the State Firemen's Association this man appointed through its direction, they will blame us.

I beg to offer the following: Resolved, That this conventio ly endorses and recommends the adoption of the plan suggested b McAlister for the prevention of fires and further that this meetin points President J. D. McNeill to visit the several cities and tow the State and present to the aldermen both the law and also th of Mr. McAlister, and have these duties assigned to the chiefs departments and have them clothed with proper authority so the have power to prosecute the work in a proper manner."

Respectfully,

T. A. GREEN,

Committee.

President MCNEILL:

What is the wish of the Convention ?

MR. TAYLOR, of Greensboro:

In our part of the country the city controls the fire depar and not the fire department controlling the city. The tax payer port the fire department, and there is a chance that we may loos enormous salary that we are already getting if we take too mu our hands. I think this is a matter for the cities, and not for the men's Association.

MR. DOUGLASS:

While I come from Greensboro I wish to say that I have no i est whatever in these insurance companies, except that I take a ive pride in their workings, but it seems to me that it is a part fireman's duty not only to fight, but to prevent fire. Our work save property from loss, and to save lives, and if we can prevent so much the better. His plan, as I see it, entails no responsibilit on this Association; the odium, if there is any, might be put upo State Legislature and upon the City Councils. All that this Ass tion can do is to say that it is in favor of this plan, which is intend decrease loss by fire. We lose nothing—we obligate ourselves t nothing. These insurance companies are entirely reliable. Mr. Alister has told us that the matter is to bassed upon the actual ness, which would amount to more than $4,000.00. If we can ai work of preventing fires, and put $4,000.00 into the pockets of chiefs and others connected with them, we are large gainers. Association we will get none of it, but it seems to me that this tend largely to prevent fires.

As to the arbitary powers conferred, I will merely say that, as I rstand it, this officer is not to have the right to order me to tear my flue—the aldermen are to pass certain regulations and this al is merely to see that these regulations are complied with. reas we have nothing to lose, we have everything to gain by this osition; we are only to say that we are in favor of it, and if no re- come from it, no one is hurt, and any results must be good for the erty owners of the State. If we can help the property owners and ance companies too, it will be a good thing. Greensboro has ed some of these ordinances, and should adopt more.

TAYLOR :

move that Mr. Green's resolution be adopted. Seconded and mously carried.

Secretary VonGlahn read the report of the Finance mittee :

Ve, the undersigned committee, appointed to examine the books Secretary and Treasurer, beg leave to report that we have ex- d their books, and found them correct.

J. H. PHIPPS,
W. S. ORR.
R. C. TAYLOR.

Report of Finance Committee was adopted.

dent MCNEILL :

e next regular order of business is the reports—volunteer re of the fire departments.

TAYLOR, of Newbern :

nove that these reports be dispensed with. Seconded; adopted.

AMERSON, of Wilson :

laim that this Association owes me about $35.00; I served this ation as statistician, furnished my own stationery, and paid my ostage. I sent a bill to the Secretary, and he acknowledged re- f same, and I wrote him some time since but had no answer. I ote Mr. McNeill about it, but nothing has come of it.

dent MCNEILL :

e Chair will state that the North Carolina Firemen's Associa- omptly meets its obligations to everybody, and I do not think cessary for this matter to go before the Association. Put in aim, and if it is a just one, it shall be met.

dent MCNEILL :

s any one anything to state that is for the best interest of this ation ?

o reply.

President McNeill:

The next order of business is election of officers for the ens year. Nominations for President are in order.

Vice-President Riggins takes the Chair:

Cries for McNeill from all over the house.

President McNeill tries to get a hearing, but is vented by the clamor.

I move that the Secretary cast the vote of the Association fo James D. McNeill.

Secretary VonGlahn:

I cast the entire vote of the North Carolina State Firemen' sociation—1444 votes, for Jas. D. McNeill as our next President.

("McNeill, McNeill.")

President McNeill:

It is not necessary to remind you that this is the eighth tim have elected me as President of your Assocication. You all where my heart lies—where my interest has been for seven year you know that I have done all that I could do to advance our m interests, but I do not think it is to the best interest of this As tion to continue one set of officers. You represent North Ca from the Mountains to the Sea-shore; we are growing large an must encourage the spirit of rivalry, and to do it, you will ha popularize your offices. I accept the nomination this year, but hope you will look around among the membership before the meeting, and find some person who will be satisfactory to yo much so at least as I have been for the past seven years. I have lected private interests to advance yours. And now I will onl that I thank you, gentlemen, for the honor; I have said everythi accepting former nominations for the Presidency that I know h put into the English language.

President McNeill turned to the Chair:

Nominations for first Vice-President are in order.

I move that Mr. H. L. Riggin, chief of the Winston fire d ment be nominated.

It was moved that nominations be be closed, and the Secretary cast the vote of the Convention for Riggin. Seconded and carried.

RIGGIN:

ppreciate this honor, gentlemen, but I feel that I am a sort of a -head in this Convention, and——

dent McNEILL:

I were to die you would not find it so.

RIGGIN:

you would die, I think I would die too.

DOUGLASS:

vould like to suggest that if our president would die, Mr. Riggin have the important duty of saving him from fire.

dent McNEILL:

d when you get there and call for water, Douglas, I will see e hose is turned on you too.

omination for second Vice-President are in order:

ish to nominate for second Vice-President Mr. M. V. B. Capps, sbury.

AYLOR, of Winston:

ominate Mr. W. S. Orr, of Charlotte, the present incumbent.

ecretary VonGlahn called the roll for a vote, which for Orr, 68 and for Capps, 21, Mr. Orr was then ed elected.

RR:

ssure you that I thank you very much for the honor that you stowed. I do want to say that I will not have to work as hard ext tournament as I did in this, and I want to apologize for the hey are not what we expected them to be; we had to cut down off to make things meet. Out of sixteen bars in this city, eight ave us one-cent, and our committee fell short $200.00 on the so we had to put up the money ourselves, and seats were only for on the Grand-stand to meet this deficiency.
ank you again for the honor which you have bestowed upon ight.

ent McNIELL:

not think any apologies are needed; your prize list is as large as have had before, and larger than many; we have received noth- kindness from you and your colleagues, and we are the grate- ficiaries of your courtesy and of those associated with you. know that conditions have changed since you invited us.

MR. RIGGIN:

I would like to ask Mr. Orr which were the bars that wou contribute?

MR. ORR:

I would rather return good for evil, and not do them any har

MR. RIGGIN:

That is exatly why I want to know.

President McNEILL:

Nominations for Secretary are in order.

It was moved that nominations be closed an Chair cast the vote of the Convention for the presen cumbent, W. C. VonGlahn, of Wilmington. Ado unanimously.

Secretary VonGLAHN:

MR. PRESIDENT AND GENTLEMEN:

When I was elected in Wilmington, I did not promise that port would be perfect, but that it should be type-written. I ho all will make allowances, since it has been my first year, and promise not to do so any more. I thank you all for your honor

President McNEILL:

It is now time for nominations for Treasurer:

It was moved, seconded and adopted that nomina be closed, and that the Chair cast the vote of the Con tion for Mr. T. A. Green.

MR. GREEN:

I thank you for the honor again conferred on me. While floor, I understand that our young brother Coffey is hardly exp to live till morning. If this is so, we will get rid of some of our ey. It is a very sad occurrence; we have had incidents before our men have been injured, but none have ever been killed a Tournaments, and it is a matter of deep concern to this Associ If this goes abroad throughout the State, that at Charlotte one men lost his life in the contests, it will not sound well.

MR. FULLUM,

The doctors state that if he lives through the night it is po that he may get well—there is a chance for it, but a very small ch

sident McNEILL:

There ought to be a prayer for him, but I doubt if it would do any for this Convention to pray,

GREEN:

We do not know how it will be with us to-morrow; we are here to-, bright and lively, but we may be carried home in a box. All is in the hands of God, and now is the time to prepare for what norrow will bring. God hears every prayer that is offered from eart.

ident McNEILL:

is now time to nominate our Statistician.

It was moved, seconded and carried, that the Presi- shou d cast the vote of the Convention for Mr. L. J. or, of Newbern.

TAYLOR:

thank you for the honor you have done me in re-electing me, and only ask you, as I have done before, please do not have me write so many times. Fill out blanks as soon as they are mailed to nd thus save a great deal of trouble.

President McNeill read the following report:

July 24th, 1901.

E NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION:

e, the undersigned, Judges for the Horse Hose Wagon Race, the following report:

x teams participated, and the time made by each, as given by the l Timers, was as follows:

urham, No. 2—44 4-5 seconds.
ilson—No time.
inston, No. 1—45 4-5 seconds.
heville—No time.
lipse—40 4-5 seconds.
ldsboro, No. 1—39 2-5 seconds.
ldsboro, No. 1, therefore, wins the first prize, and the Eclipse, ond prize.

e time of Goldsboro, No. 1, was protested by Durham, and e, on the ground that they did not throw water through the re- length of hose, but the official measurer and judges at start told Goldsboro's Hose was measured by him, and was of sufficient

e therefore, over-rule and di-allow the protest.

FRANK L. WHITE,
H. E. KING,
WILLIAM SPICER,
CHAS. SCHNIBBEN,
R. D. DOUGLASS.
L. J. TAYLOR, Hydrant Judge.

MR. MADDRY :

When the race came off this afternoon, I was on the ground v our company, Durham, No. 2, made the run. The men asked n make a protest, claiming that Goldsboro, No. 1, did not throw w through 288 feet of hose, as required. The judges refused to allow protest, and we think this is a proper matter to come before the vention. While Rule 3, Section 1, page 56 of Wilmington Proceed concludes with, and the decision of the judges shall be final, it is lowed by Rule 4, Section 1. Any company attempting to win a p by fraud, deception or foul play, or in any dishonorable way, or shall disobey or infringe upon or evade any of the requirement these Rules, shall forfeit any prize won thereby,and shall be subje suspension or expulsion.

President McNEILL :

The Chair would state——

MR. CHAMBERLAIN, of Durham :

They did use foul play; we asked the privilege of proving this fore the judges, but they said they would meet us at 7:30 o'clock gave us no chance. We can prove that they did.

MR. GATTIS :

He can not prove it.

President McNEILL :

This question is a very unfortunate one. There is a rule wh says that the decision of the Judges shall be final. It is final un there is some appeal from the Judges to this Convention while it i session. It is now in session, and there has been an appeal from Contestants, from the decision.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN :

I appeal from the Judges' decision to this Convention.

President McNEILL :

Shall the decision of the Judges in this afternoon's races be tained or not ?

MR. DOUGLASS :

As one of the Judge, I wish to state a few facts: I have only say that we desire justice to be done, and as far as I am concerne would like for every member of this Convention to see that justic done. I do not want any member to vote for confirming this rep because it may be inferred that a contrary vote would be a slap at I want every member to do justice as he sees it.

MADDRY :

I would like to say, as a representative of the company that made the est, that our men did not insinuate that the judges did not do their . The hose was measured correctly. Mr. VonGlahn did that, but hink that the judges should have heard our evidence, and for that on, we made an appeal to the convention. That is all we ask; if id not win the second place this afternoon, we do not want it, but ould like for the convention to hear us.

WEIL :

Mr. Maddry is taking a stand not altogether just in trying to have matter over ruled for personal reasons. Durham did not succeed tting the prize, and I should think that the proper place for a ment of his position would have been before the judges, and not e the convention; they were there to give justice; they did fair— w they did fair.

EATON :

hese contests are all honorable, and to avoid any acrimony, and ing that might engender hard feelings, it occurs to me that this r might be referred to a committee. The contestants may have mis-informed, and after an investigation their appeal may be drawn. I believe that the gentlemen from Goldsboro would like e the matter thoroughly investigated.

e are working in a grand and noble cause, and all of our contests l be honorable, and should be able to bear the closest scrutiny. seems to me that a committee might be appointed by the Chair, which these gentlemen could bring all of their evidence, and s committee report at the next meeting.

WEIL :

e are willing to go before such a committee.

dent MCNEILL :

ch contesting team has a right to name a member of the judges; case each one selected a judge to look out for his interests; they ones to have heard this evidence. Why was it that this pro- s not heard ?

DOUGLASS :

hen these judges were selected, they decided among themselves hey should be placed during the race; we decided that two stay at the start; two at the hydrant and two at the finish. There ficial measurer, who measured the hose before it was put on the The judges discharged their duty. When the protest was en- he protesting team said they could prove that the length of the as not the required length. We asked the official measurer if measured the hose of the Goldsboro Team; he stated that he d also one of the starting judges had, and that it was the cor- gth. This came from officials selected for that purpose, and not think we could go be behind what they said about it; we we should follow what the official measurer and the starting ad said about it; we felt that we were bound by that.

MR. MADDRY :

I would like to say that there is no personal feeling in the w to me; the only thing is that there is something wrong, and it is duty to see that this company gets fair play.

President MCNEILL :

Will it be satisfactory to you if the convention instructs the B of Judges that hear any evidence that you may have, and re-conside decision.

MR. MADDRY :

I think we can trust ourselves in the hands of the Board of Jud if they will let us introduce witnesses.

MR. EATON :

I think it can be settled satisfactory to all parties, by some l investigation. I believe in harmony, and wherever differences oc settle them in the spirit of men.

Secretary VONGLAHN :

The Durham Hose Company did not claim that Goldsboro did have 350 feet of hose in their wagon.

MR. KING :

It seems to be the impression here that the judges had arrive their decision in this matter without having duly considered ev thing without hearing everything and investigating everything. made this decision as we thought the facts warranted—we have taken snap judgment on these people,

It was moved and seconded and carried that the m ter be referred to the Judges, and the Chair instruc them to re-open the case, and render their decision to Secretary in writing.

MR. CARRELL :

I move that the convention go into the question of where it s meet next year. Seconded; adopted.

President McNeill read the following letters :

July 20th, 190

TO THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA ST FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION :

Gentlemen :—At a regular meeting of the Board of Alderme the city of Asheville, held on July 19th, 1901, it was unanimously solved that a cordial invitation be extened to your Association to l the next annual session in this city.

Trusting that this may meet your favorable consideration, we

Respectfully yours,

F. M. MILLER, Mayor.

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W. M. ROBERTSON, City Clerk.

July 20th, 1901.

E OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIA-
ON :

ntlemen :—In behalf of our citizens, the Board of Trade extends
body a most cordial invitation to hold your next convention in
lle.

ould we be so fortunate as to secure this meeting, we assure you
r people will do all in thier power to make your stay among us
ant one.

Respectfully,

JNO. A. NICHOLS, President.
B. M. JONES, Secretary.

July 22nd, 1901.

n. JAMES D. McNEILL :

ENT N. C. FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION, CHARLOTTE, N. C.

ar Sir :—We, the undersigned, Mayor and members of the Board
rmen, of the city of Raleigh, do hereby extend to you a most
invitation to hold your next meeting in Raleigh.

"City of Oaks" has the reputation of doing nothing by halves.
promise if you will come to Raleigh, we will keep our present
ion.

ne to Raleigh and we will give you a good time,

Yours very respectfully,

A. M. POWELL,
JNO. C. DREWEY,
J. S. CARROLL,
W. E. JONES,
HENRY T. HICKS,
H. H. PROCTER,
MAXWELL J. GORMAN,
D. S. HAMILTON,
LYNN WILDER,
C. D. ARTHUR.

UMSDEN :

nt to extend to this convention a most cordial invitation to
Raleigh next year; we brought the invitation from our Mayor
rd of Aldermen, and it is their earnest desire that this conven-
t with us. It has not been with us in twelve years. Raleigh
to the Association to give it a good time. We are centrally
—the West and the East can get to us easily. I am simply a
—a member of the oldest company there, and I hope you will
way clear to come to Raleigh for the 1902 convention.

AYLOR, of Newbern :

ye that we go to Raleigh.

ULLUM, from Asheville :

ited it last year from Wilmington; if you will come to Ashe-
prizes will be equal to anything that has ever been offered;
the finest scenery to be found in the country—we have no dis
here either. You will be able to sleep at night, and for my-
lemen, I promise you police protection. I hope you will de-
ome to Asheville.

MR. HARRIS:

Mr. Lumsden has invited you in the name of the fire depart I have received a message today from the Raleigh Board of Trad ing me to invite the Association in its name, to meet with us. only the Board of Aldermen, but the Board of Trade the fire d ment and everybody in Raleigh invites you; we have no disp there, and I see no reason why you should not have a good time midst.

MR. LUMSDEN:

I wish to say that we will guarantee the prizes to be all righ

MR. ORR:

Since Asheville has voted for Charlotte for five years, I fe be my duty to vote for Asheville.

President MCNEILL:

The Chair feels itself bound to state that Asheville and R are both all right. The Kinston chief wrote that his Mayor w his way here to invite us, but he has not turned up.

MR. TAYLOR, of Newbern:

I have no objection to going to Asheville, but the East th should rotate; it is in the West this year.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN, of Durham:

Asheville comes every year—sometime at great expense, an eigh has not been in our tournaments for twelve years. It cost ville $200.09 one year to go to Goldsboro—they had to pay freig their equipment out of their own pockets.

The roll was called and the vote stood, Ashevill Raleigh 31, Mr. Taylor, of Newbern, moved that made unanimous. Seconded; carried.

President MCNEILL:

The Chair expresses its thanks for the cordial invitation from cities; we cannot go to but one, and Asheville seems to have ma self most popular by coming; we appreciate the Raleigh invitation much indeed, and thank the city for it.

MR. DOUGLASS:

I wish to offer the following Resolution: "Be it resolved North Carolina State Firemen's Association:

hat this Association desires to express its sincere appreciation
arty thanks to Vice-President W. S. Orr, chief marshal; to Mr.
Campbell, superintendent of water works; Mr. J. M. Mullen,
an of the finance committee; to Mr. Joseph J. Stone, secretary;
T. Smith and to their co-workers for the untiring and successful
on their part which have made this meeting both pleasant and
ble to this Association. That to these gentlemen and to the
s of Charlotte in general, this Association desires to express its
tion for their beautiful and progressive city, and to assure them
will one and all long remember with the greatest pleasure our
ong them, which was adopted unanimously.

ent McNeill:

judges of the races will meet in the parlor of the Central Ho
orrow morning at 8:30 o'clock to hear the evidence of the con-
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e business having been completed, it was moved,
ed and carried, that the Convention adjourn Sine

President of the North Carolina State Firemen's
ociation;

the undersigned judges of the Association, for the Horse Hose
ace, adjudged on the day of the race, that Goldsboro, No. 1,
tled to the first prize, and Eclipse to the second prize.
otest was entered against Goldsboro, No. 1, by Eclipse and
No. 2, on the ground that water was not thrown through re-
ngth of hose. We dis-allowed this protest, and so reported
esident of this Association.
contesting companies brought the matter up before the As-
on the ground that the judges had not given them an oppor-
introduce evidence to support this charge.
Association then referred it back to the judges, with instruc-
ake evidence and then decide it. We set a time for this hear-
llowed both sides to introduce all the evidence they cared to.
esting teams introduced no evidence whatever, in regard to
of hose used by Goldsboro, No. 1, but introduced evidence
show that Goldsboro, No. 1, used more men in the race than
allowed, and ask that Goldsboro, No 1, be ruled out on this
Evidence was then introduced by the defendants, tending to
t the evidence of the contestants.

render the following decision:

being no evidence introduced before us in support of the
round of contest, we re-affirm our former decision, and award
rize to Goldsboro, No. 1, and the second prize to Eclipse.
atter of using an extra man was not included in the protest,
herefore, not in our former report, or in this reference made

to us by the Association. We, therefore, do not enter into a deci
of this question.

FRANK T WHITE,
CHAS. SCHNIBBEN,
WILLIAMS SPICER,
R. D. DOUGLAS,
L. J. TAYLOR,
H. E. KING.

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIEEMEN'S
SOCIATION:

We the undersigned judges in the the Interstate Grab race de
that Spencer won first prize and that Charlotte, who made second
time be ruled out for starting before the starter gave the signal by
ing his pistol, and that Durham, No. 2, who made third best time
entitled to second prize.

R. C. TAYLOR,
R. D. DOUGLAS,
W. E. PHIPPS,
J. FRANK MADDRY.
Jud

ECORD OF CONTESTS AND TIME.

QUICK STEAM CONTEST,

ENTRIES.

inston Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 1.
arlotte Steam Fire Engine Co.
dges—L. J. Taylor, Newbern; J. T. Abbot, Greensboro.
arter—W. C. VonGlahn.
inston—Time, 12 minutes 2 seconds.
arlotte—No time, failed to lift water.

LONG DISTANCE.

mes Entries.
me Judges and Starters.
inston—Distance 211 feet 5 inches.
arlotte—Failed to lift water.

HORSE HOSE WAGON CONTEST.

dges—W. M. Spicer, Chas. Schnibben, L. J. Taylor, R. D. s, Horace King, Frank White.
ners—C. M. Creswell, Wm. Bruns.

ENTRIES.

rham Hose Co., No. 2, Durham—Time, 44 4-5 seconds.
se Co., No. 1, Wilson—No time.
se Co., No. 1, Winston—Time, 45 4-5 seconds.
ipse No. 1, Goldsboro—Time, 40 4-5 seconds.
se Co., No. 1, Asheville—No time.
am Fire Engine Co., No. 1, Goldsboro—Time, 39 2-5 seconds.
rter—W. C. VonGlahn.

HOOK AND LADDER CONTEST.

lges—J, S. Fullam, J. F. Maddry.

ENTRIES.

ok and Ladder Co., No. 1, Winston—Time, 49 seconds.
ok and Ladder Co., No. 1, Greensboro—Time, 50 1-5 seconds.
rter—W. C. VonGlahn.

CHAMPIONSHIP REEL CONTEST.

ges—J. H. Phipps, R. H. Borden, Chas. Schnibben.
ers—C. M. Creswell, J. Garabaldi.

ENTRIES.

thside Hose Co., Greensboro—Time, 50 seconds.
e and Reel Co., No. 1, Concord—Time, 56 2-5 seconds.
l Team, No. 1, Spencer—Time, 51 4-5 seconds.
ter—W. C. VonGlahn.

Southside Hose Company, of Greensboro, having won in above Contest, become owner of the Championship Belt having for three consecutive years, and it was delivered to them afte Contest.

JUNIOR HAND REEL CONTEST.

Judges—A. H. Borden, J. H. Phipps, Chas. Schnibben.
Timers—C. M. Creswell, J. Garabadi.

ENTRIES.

Eagle Juniors, Greensboro—Time, 18 4-5 seconds.
Starter—W. C. VonGlahn.

JUNIOR GRAB REEL CONTEST.

Judges—A. H. Borden, J. H. Phipps, Chas. Schnibben.
Timers—C. M. Creswell, J. Garabaldi.

ENTRIES.

Eagle Juniors, Greensboro—Time, 24 2-5 seconds.
Starter—W. C. VonGlahn.

HAND REEL CONTEST.

Judges—H. King, C. E. Hooper, J. F. Maddry, J. H. Phipp H. Borden, L. J. Taylor.

ENTRIES,

Reel Team, No. 1, Spencer—No time.
Hose Co , No. 2, Durham—Time, 33 3-5 seconds.
Reel Team, No. 1, Charlotte—Time, 30 seconds,
Reel Team, No. 1, Concord—No time.
Reel Team, No. 1, Tarboro—Time 34 seconds.
Southside Hose Co., Greensboro—Time, 30 2-5 seconds.
Timers—J. D. McNeill, J. W. Caves.
Starter—W. C. VonGlahn.

GRAB REEL CONTEST.

Judges—H. King, C. E. Hooper, J. E. Maddry, A. H. Borde H. Phipps, L. J. Taylor.

ENTRIES.

Reel Team, No. 1, Spencer—Time, 21 seconds.
Hose Co., No. 2, Durham—Time, 22 2-5 seconds.
Reel Team, No. 1, Charlotte—Time, 22 4-5 seconds.
Reel Team, No. 1, Concord—Time, 24 1-5 seconds.
Reel Team, No. 1, Tarboro—Time, 22 1 5 seconds.
Southside Hose Co., Greensboro—Time, 23 1 5 seconds.
Timers—J. D. McNeill, J. W. Caves.
Starter—W. C. VonGlahn.

INTERSTATE CONTESTS.

HAND REEL RACES.

dges—J. F. Maddry, A. H. Borden, C. E. Hooper, L. J. Taylor, Douglas, R. C. Taylor.

ENTRIES.

rboro Reel Team—No time
arlotte Reel Team, No. 1—Time, 30 3-5 seconds.
encer Reel Team—No time.
rham Hose Co., No. 2—Time, 31 4-5 seconds.
uthside, Greensboro—Time, 30 4-5 seconds.
arleston Reel Team—Time, 31 seconds.

GRAB REEL RACE.

dges—Same as in Hand Reel Races.

ENTRIES.

boro Reel Team—Time, 24 seconds.
arlotte Reel Team, No. 1—Time, 21 seconds.
ncer Reel Team—Time, 20 3-5 seconds.
rham Hose Co., No. 2—Time, 22 4-5 seconds.
arleston Reel Team—Time, 24 seconds.

HOOK AND LADDER CONTEST.

ges—L. Weil, J. F. Maddry.

ENTRIES.

nston Hook and Ladder Co.,—Time, 47 seconds.
ensboro Hook and Ladder Co.,—Time, 48 seconds.

JUNIOR REEL RACE.

ges—Same as in Hand Reel Race.
ensboro Juniors—Time, 19 seconds.
rlotte Juniors—Time, 22 seconds.

HORSE HOSE WAGON CONTEST.

ges—J. F. Maddry, H. E. King, F. T. White, L. J. Taylor, J. er.

ENTIRES.

ar Reel Squad, Sumter, S. C.,—Time, 40 2-5 seconds.
m Fire Fngine Co., No. 1, Goldsboro—Time, 41 seconds.
Co., No. 2, Durham—No time.
ose Co., No. 1, Goldsboro—No time.
m Co., No. 1, Winston—Time, 45 2-5 seconds.
er—W. C. VonGlahn.

INDIVIDUAL FOOT RACE.

y Roediger, Charlotte—Time, 10 2-5 seconds.

In Memoriam

of

John Willeford,

Concord, N. C.,

Died February 3rd, 1901.

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a member of Concord Hose

and Reel Co., No. 1.

LES GOVERNING TOURNAMENTS AND RACES HELD NDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE ASSOCIATION.

RULE I.

There shall be held annually an Association Tourna-, at such time and place as the Association shall from to time direct, at which Tournament, and no other, hampionship of the various branches of the firemen's ce shall be contested for.

All Tournaments shall be under the auspices of the iation, but the arrangements shall be made by the en and citizens at the place at which it is to be held.

RULE II.

ECTION 1. Champion prizes, other than money s, shall be the property of the Association, subject ir call and control, but will be in possession of the pion Companies until within ten days of the meeting Association, when it shall be returned to the Secre- and by him put in safe keeping until the day of the and then he shall place the same in the hands of dges of the race for which prize is offered before ompanies start in said race.

EC. 2. The Association shall have power to suspend ompany from participating in any Annual Tourna-

EC. 3. All Companies, members of the Association, ntest for prizes at the Annual Tournament, unless ded.

EC. 4. All prizes hereafter offered for contest at nnual Tournament of the Association, for which as been no competition, shall revert to the North na State Firemen's Association, to be by said As- on devoted to the purchase of permanent Associa- hampionship prizes, to be competed for as provided the preceeding section.

RULE III.

SECTION 1. The Captains of the competing tea shall select Judges and Time-Keepers, at each Ann Tournament, who shall decide each and every cont which takes place at said Tournament. That no one sh serve as a Judge in any of the contests who is not a re dent of the State of North Carolina, and who is a meml of a competing Company taking part in these contes and the decision of these Judges shall be final.

RULE IV.

SECTION 1. Any Company attempting to win a pr by fraud, deception or foul play, or in any dishonora way, or who shall disobey or infringe upon or evade a of the requirements of these Rules, shall forfeit any pr won thereby, and shall be subject to suspension or exp sion.

SEC. 2. None but regular organized Companies, w have been organized as such at least thirty days prio the Annual Tournament, and are members of this Asso tion, can compete for any championship, and no per shall be allowed to run with or assist any Company in a contest who has not been a member of said Company least thirty days prior to such contest.

SEC. 3. No Company shall be allowed more than o trial in any contest.

RULE V.

SECTION 1. Every person taking any part in a contest requiring running shall be required to start w his Company from the starting point.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Starting Judg to start each team by saying, "Are you ready?" af which a pistol will be fired or an electric bell sound and time taken from these.

SEC. 3. All contestants in races must be decen clothed, the Executive Committee to decide.

RULE VI.

SECTION 1. The Start and Outcome Judges in any est shall, by means of flag singals, signify the readi- for a start prior.to any run.

SEC. 2. Timers must be placed at the Outcome and must be settled by them before reporting to the ges, and they must report their readiness to Judges at ome before each team is started.

RULE VII.

SECTION 1. The names of the contestants in each , and the names of not more than four substitutes in team, must be handed to the Secretary of the As- tion prior to the contest, and such list must be ac- anied by a certificate from the Foreman and Secretary Department to which the team belongs that such s are actual members in good standing in said De- ent.

EC. 2. In case of a e being made by teams in any t, the Judges shall immediately order such teams over, and such run shall decide the contest.

RULE VIII.

ECTION 1. All Hand Reel races shall be run on the l day of Tournament.

EC. 2. The town, at which Tournament is held, be required to have attached to a hydrant at which re made, a pressure guage that the water pressure e seen at all times:

LES GOVERNING HOSE COMPANIES.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP CONTESTS.

CTION 1. Any cart capable of carrying 500 feet of r hose may be used. Number not to exceed sixteen nd a Foreman.

SEC. 2. Hose race, wet or dry, distance to hyd 200 yards, lay 300 feet of hose, uncouple, put on pipe, to be called when pipe is dropped to the ground in run, and when water leaves the pipe in wet run, carts to carry less than 350 feet of hose reeled into one contin line. Companies not to exceed sixteen men and a Forem

SEC. 3. The Association shall purchase an elect starting apparatus, which shall be used in starting all r of the Association. The apparatus to be between wheels in four-wheel apparatus, and beyond the reel in r ac :

SEC. 4. Pipe to be carried on cart or by pipe from the start. Pipe shall be of such style or patter teams may select, PROVIDED ALWAYS, they are suit for active service. NO COUPLING OTHER THAN STAN SCREW COUPLINGS SHALL BE ALLOWED.

SEC. 5. No man to start ahead of leaders or to fa and assist in dragging the apparatus after the start.

SEC. 6. No professional runner will be allowe compete in any contest. The term, "professional runn is applied to one who has or is following raceing as a fession or means of livelihood, and common reputa shall be deemed conclusive evidence of such profes which shall be determined by the Executive Commi

SEC. 7. All couplings used must be standard s couplings, eight threads to the inch, and adopted to and one-half inch fire hose; the hose on each couplin to be shorter than forty-eight feet.

SEC. 8. All work must be done by hands or spar

SEC. 9. Snap, spring and unproportioned coupli or any attachment to couplings to assist in breakin making, BARRED.

SEC. 10. When time is called, competitors must back for Judges to examine. Judges must chalk pipe couplings before moving, then turn pipe off to see th takes the required three turns to disconnect.

SEC. 11. That the Association, at its meeting p ous to the time such Championship Race shall com shall elect three Judges, one Timekeeper and one w duty it shall be to take charge of the Race under the a rules and report the results to the Secretary as soo Race is over.

HAND HOOK AND LADDER CONTESTS.

Trucks to be weighed and one man allowed to every enty-five (75) pounds—Captain and Ladderman not in-led with the running team, but to run in the contest.

Distance to be run, one hundred (100) yards—take off raise one ladder, (which must not be less than thirty feet long, man to ascend and touch top piece of lad- and descend, replacing ladder. Ladder must be rais- by hand—no hooks or poles allowed.

No less than two entries required.

LES and REGULATIONS GOVERNING MONEY PRIZES

STEAMER CONTEST.

QUICK STEAM FROM START TO FINISH.

Two entries required.

Engine to come to starting point, hitched up. To 200 yards. take suction, attach hose and throw water et from nozzle through not less than 98 feet of hose: Time for firing engine optional after signal to start is h. Driver, Engineer and Stroker to ride on engine. wagon to follow with not more than six men exclusive iver. Time to be taken from starting signal until r goes over the 50-feet line. Quantity and quality of optional.

QUICK STEAM—TWO TO ENTER.

Steamer to come to cistern empty and cold; to be fill- th cold water until the engineer running the engine "stop"; fuel to be furnished by the Judges, and be the same as fired with in case of fire (either wood al and not over one-half gallon of alcohol or oil). to be taken from pistol shot, and to throw water 50 through not less than 48 feet of hose. That the stack

on engines in all contests from this time forward shall exceed two feet, and shall throw water continiously five minutes after the water has been thrown over th foot line.

DISTANCE—TWO TO ENTER.

Steamer throwing water the greatest distance; not over 100 pounds of steam, through not less than feet of hose, size of nozzle optional.

The steam guage of each engine to be tested by competing engineers prior to contest.

HAND REEL CONTEST.

TWO TO ENTER.

Sixteen men and a Foreman allowed.

Reel not to carry less than 148 feet of standard and one-half inch hose; to be connected on the as when ready for duty at fires (three full threads); to 150 yards, unreel not less than 98 feet of hose, attach to plug, screw pipe to hose (any size nozzle), throw wate quickest time. Water to show oppostite or beyond hydrant, or Company shall be ruled out. The plug be closed, cap on three threads, at the time of the C pany strating on the run, and shall be opened by Wrenchman running with the Company. No strap snaps couplings allowed.

The hose must be let go as soon as attached to plug. If the butt is blown off the Company shall be r out. No couplings shall be used without nipples.

No Company shall be allowed to assist another. the run, each Company is required to furnish a roll o members to Secretary of the Association on the morn of the first day, as early as possible. Fifteen minutes be allowed each Company after the Judge's signal for re and any Company failing to start within that time be ruled out. Two entries required. No one allowed side the ropes except the Company making the The Company making the best time wins the first p No Company allowed to enter more than one team.

GRAB RACE CONTEST.

Company to run 50 yards, grab reel and run 50 yards to g, unreel not less than 48 feet of hose, attach same to g and throw water--drag rope to be up or down (op- nal with Company). Plug must be closed when Com- y starts to run same as the Reel Contest. Coupling be broken opposite or beyond the plug. Should but nozzle blow off, Company to be ruled out,

AND TRUCK HOOK AND LADDER RACE.

ompanies allowed one man to every 75 pounds, exclu- of Ladderman and Captain. Must run 100 yards, e off and raise one ladder (which must be not less than eet long), man to ascend and touch top piece or round adder and descend, replace ladder.

adders must be raised by hand. No hooks or poles wed.

o less than two entries allowed.

HOOK AND LADDER CONTEST--HORSE TRUCK.

TWO TO ENTER.

ompanies allowed one or two-horse truck. Trucks to eighed. Weight for one horse not less than 1,500 ds, EXCLUSIVE OF DRIVER AND MEN; for two horses ess than 2,600 pounds. Horse or horses to be hitched uck, rear wheels on starting line, and run 300 yards; off one 30-foot ladder, man to ascend and touch top e or round of ladder and descend; replace ladder on k in same position as when removed. Ladder must ised by hand. Ladderman must touch bottom and ound in ascending. No hooks or poles allowed. Not than two entries allowed. Not more than sixteen allowed, exclusive of driver and ladderman.

HORSE REEL RACE.

TWO TO ENTER.

Companies allowed the use of any four-wheeled F Carriage or Wagon, either one or two-horse, to carry less than 350 feet standard two and one-half inch h Carriage or Wagon to be weighed; weight for one h not less than 1,200 pounds, ECXLUSIVE OF DRIVER AND M for two horses not less than 2,600 pounds, EXCLUSIVE DRIVER AND MEN; the driver, buttman and coup breaker shall ride on Carriage or Wagon, horse or ho to be standing hitched to Hose Carriage or Wagon, run 200 yards to hydrant, unreel not less than 288 fee hose, break coupling and attach pipe and show wa water must show within 50 feet of 288-foot line; hose t reeled on Carriage or placed in Wagon, connected w three full threads. The plug must be closed at the t of the Company starting, and cannot be opened until h is first started to be unreeled. Companies allowed men in addition to those who ride, and can be placed such position as desired. Time taken from first si until water shows. If butt or pipe blows off, Comp shall be ruled out, and hose must be let go before the p sure is taken off.

ONE HUNDRED YARD FOOT RACE CONTE

Men to run 100 yards. Two men to be selected by Captain of each Company. The one making the best t wins the prize.

OTHER EVENTS.

SACK RACE.

Contestants to be enveloped in bags to the neck, ru yards. All persons entering must run at the same ti

BARROW RACE.

To run 50 yards. Contestants to be blindfolded. one coming nearest the mark wins the prize.

ACT TO INCORPORATE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESEN-
ATIVES IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONVENED :

ECTION 1. That C. D. Benbow, J. G. Fowler, H. J. m, A. T. Boyd, C. F. Thomas, J. R. Donnell, Charles ittington and S. D. Wilson, of Greensboro; J. D. Mc-ll, of Fayetteville; J. T. Thacker, W. F. Keith, S. A. k, C. A. Snipes, F. H. Vogler, F. C. Meinung, of nston-Salem ; E. B. Englehard, T. W. Blake, F. H. nsden and F, Branan, of Raleigh ; H. E. Heartt, of ham ; J. B. Swinson, of Charlotte, and such other sons as are associated with them, and their succes-, be, and they hereby are, constituted a body politic corporate by the name of the North Carolina State men's Association, and by that name sue and be sued prosecute and defend suits in all courts in the State may have and use a common seal, and alter the sam leasure. May take contracts and be capable in law of hasing, holding and conveying any real or persona te for the benefit of said Association or corporation vided, the said corporation shall not at any time hold or personal estate of greater amount than ten thousand ,000) dollars.

EC. 2. The purposes for which said Association is or-ized are : The protection and the promotion of the best rest of the firemen of North Carolina, the compilation re statistics the collection of information concerning practical workings of different systems of organiza-s, the examination and inquiry concerning the merits he different kinds of apparatus in use and the improve ts in the same, the cultivation of a fraternal fellow between the different Companies of the State.

SEC. 3. Said Association or corporation shall
power to appoint officers, hold meetings, adopt a Co
tution and enact such By-Laws in such manner as
Constitution may prescribe, and make such rules
regulations as may be necessary to carry into effec
objects and aims of the Association; provided, that
Constitution and By-Laws, rules and regulations be
repugnant to the Constitution of the State and o
United States.

SEC. 4. That this act shall be in forced from and
its ratification.

Ratified the 11th day of March, A. D. 1889.

TH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

PREAMBLE.

e, the members of the North Carolina State Firmen's ciation, in order to form a more perfect organization, lish harmony of action, insure prosperity and success, ide pecuniary support, secure protection and pro- the best interest of the Firemen of North Carolina, compile statistics of information concerning the prac- working of various systems and the merits of the rent apparatus in use for the extinguishing of fires, the cultivation of fraternal fellowship between the al Fire Departments of the State, do hereby estab- he following Constitution and By-Laws.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

TION 1. This organization shall be known as the Carolina State Firemen's Association.

ARTICLE II.

TION 1. The officers of this Association shall consist President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and tician, and they shall constitute the Executive Com- , and will hold their respective offices for one year, il their successors shall be elected and qualified.

2. The officers shall be elected at the annual g of the Association by ballot, the successful can- to receive a majority of the votes cast.

ARTICLE III.

SECTION 1. The members of this Association shall sist of the several Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs of Fir partments, Fire Marshalls, Superintendents of Fire A Telegraph and Waterworks, and each regular orga Fire Company in the several Fire Departments o State, said persons and Companies complying wit provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of this ciation; all individual members of such Fire Com shall, also, by virtue of their membership in such pany, be members of this Association for the purpo participating in the benefits of this Association, an funds distributed by it, so long as said Company re a member of this Association and complies with the stitution and By-Laws, and no longer. But should member fail to pay his pro rata assessment, when for, he shall be debarred from the privileges of this ciation.

SEC. 2. Any member injured or made sick by di contracted in the actual discharge of his duty, as a man, shall be entitled to the benefits from the "Fire Relief Fund" of this Association, as follows: At th of two ($2.00) dollars while totally unable to attend ordinary business by reason of such injury or sick but such beneficiary, arising from any particular inju sickness, shall not lose time longer than ONE HUNDRE from date of such injury, or beginning of such disa created by such sickness; but when partially disabled receive $1.00 per day for not exceeding twenty days the Executive Committee may extend such benefits next annual meeting of the Association held next aft expiration of said period of one hundred days, and th sociation at the annual meeting will, at its pleasur termine the time for which such benefits may be rece That 10 per cent. be deducted from all claim for be and placed to the credit of the General Fund to defra penses of the same. In case of death from such sic or injury, this Association shall pay to the widow deceased $250.00 and $50.00 for funeral expenses, case the deceased should have no relatives, this an shall be paid into the treasury of the Company of he was a member. Every person or Company el and desiring to become a member of this Association

ke application to the Secretary, and at the same time to the Secretary the prescribed membership fee, and reupon, if such applicant be eligible, he shall become ıember of this Association.

EC. 3. Every Fire Company in the State, which is a nber of the Association, shall, on or before the first of August in each year, elect two delegates and, also, alternates, to serve for the ensuing year, with the ef Engineer and First Assistant of the various depart- ıts as delegates at large, who are entitled to one vote ı. They shall be beneficiary members of the Associa- and shall show on our beneficiary roll.

EC. 4. All Companies represented in this Association t be in full accord and in good standing in the Fire arment where they are located, and if at any time they not so, they shall forfeit all right to membership in Association; but that Companies who retire from act- ervice for a term of not more than two years shall be sidered entitled to all privileges of the Convention.

ARTICLE IV

CTION 1. The annual meeting of the Association shall eld at such time and place, in each and every year, as Executive Committee may select, as a majority of the ıbers present of the Association shall designate, and ial meeting may be called by the President or a ma- y of the Executive Committee.

C. 2. A failure to hold any annual meeting at the designated in the Constitution shall in no wise make solution of the Association.

C. 3. The Executive Committee shall meet at such and place as they may decide, on a call of the Pres- t or a majority of said Committee.

ARTICLE V

CTION 1. If any vacancy shall occur by reason of , resignation of office or membership of any officers is Association, such vacancy may be filled by the utive Committee for the unexpired term for which officer was elected.

ARTICLE VI.

SECTION 1. This Association shall have power to amend or revise this Constitution and By-Laws, b shall be necessary for a two-thirds vote of the mem of the Association present ENTITLED TO VOTE: PROV the proposed amendment shall be submitted in writi a previous meeting of the Executive Committee.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the President to side over the meetings of the Association and to sig orders duly granted by the Association or Executive mittee.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Preside perform all the duties of the President in his absenc

SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to k complete record of the proceedings of the Associati receive and answer all communications pertaining t Association. To keep a roster of the names of the diff Companies composing the Association and the indiv membership thereof, and to collect the initation fee per capita tax, to pay the same over to the Treasurer ing his receipt therefor. He shall receive as compens for his services $100 per annum, to be paid quarter warrant on the Treasurer, signed by the President.

SEC. 4. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys co ed by the Secretary and receipt to him for the same. shall collect annually from the State Treasurer the an appropriated by the Legislature for the Firemen's I Fund. He shall disburse no moneys except on ord the President or by instruction of the Association nual meeting assembled. At the annual meeting he make a full report of all moneys received and distri by him, and shall execute a bond to the State of Carolina to the amount of $5,000, to be approved and with the Treasurer of the said State of North Car and shall make a detailed report to the said Treasu

e yearly expenditures of the Firemen's Relief Fund. He all execute a bond in the sum of $800 to this Association r the security of the General Fund, said bond must be proved by the Executive Committee. He shall receive 50 compensation as annual salary, to be paid quarterly warrant issued by the Secretary and signed by the resident.

Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the Statistician to cor-ctly compile the statistics of each village and city in the ate, of all matters pertaining to the fire service, annual-correcting the previous reports, which shall include erything of interest to our Firemen, and be so arranged to be comprehensive in every detail. The expenses of printing, printed matter and postage necessary in sending for and receiving of such information to be id by the Association, and he shall receive $25 annually his services.

Sec. 6. The duty of the Executive Committee shall be have published the proceedings of the Association; to nsact all business of the Association during the time in-vening between the annual meetings, and they shall nstitute a Board of Trustees for the management of all nds of the Association. At all meetings of the Executive mmittee a majority of the Committee shall constitute a orum, and a majority of such quorum may determine questions

ARTICLE II.

Section 1. Each Company shall pay a membership fee five dollars and fifty cents per capita yearly thereafter advance, for dues; and each Chief, Assistant Chief, Fire rshal and Superintendent of Fire Alarm Telegprah, l Water Works shall pay one dollar annual dues in ad-ce. The Secretary of the Association shall be exempt m the payment of annual dues.

Sec. 2. The annual dues shall be paid on or before the t day of January in each year, in advance for the en-ing year. And all members who fail to comply with Section shall, thereon, and by reason of such failure, se to be members of this Association and cannot again ome members except by a new application, made in ular form, and paying the prescribed fee for member-p.

SEC. 3. Any individual or Company, members of Association, who, at any time, fail to act in a gentlem ly manner, may, upon charges being brought before Association, be expelled from said Association by a m ority vote of the membership.

SEC. 4. Any exempt Firemen may, upon the payn of two dollars and of the regular annual dues, becon member of this Association, with all the rights and pr leges of any other member.

ARTICLE III.

SECTION 1. All members sick or injured in the lin fire duty shall be entitled to the benefits from the F men's Relief Fund of this Association as follows: At rate of two dollars each day, while unable to attend their regular business, as provided for in the Constitut That 10 per cent. be deducted from all claims for bene and placed to the credit of the General Fund to defray penses of the same.

SEC. 2. In case of death fo m sickness or injury ceived in the performance of fire duty, $250.00, and $5 for funeral expenses.

SEC. 3. For the widow; in case there is no widow, the children; if there is no child or children, to the mot of the deceased Fireman, the sum of $250 and $50 for f eral expenses; and in case there be no relative, to be p to the Treasurer of the Company of which he was a m ber.

SEC. 4. The Chief, or Acting Chief, shall certify bef a Magistrate or Notary Public, on blank form, in tri cate, furnished by the Secretary, all particulars regard each case where a benefit is required, accompanied by certificate of the attending physician.

SEC. 5. Applications for benefits shall be made to Secretary, in compliance with forms to be furnished him for that purpose, and shall be made within thirty d after receiving the injury or contracting the disease co plained of; but said time for making said application m be extended by the Executive Committee for good ca shown.

Sec. 6. The action of the Association upon all questions
it may arise as to granting or referring relief and bene-
, both as to amount thereof and the person claiming,
l as incidental thereto, upon all questions relating to
right or claims of membership, shall be final and con-
sive, and the action of the Executive Committee up-
said questions shall in like manner and extent be final
l conclusive until the same be changed by the Associa-
n at its annual meeting.

RULES OF ORDER.

. The presiding officer shall preserve order and de-
um: all questions of order shall be decided by him,
ject to an appeal to the Association.

. Every member when he speaks shall rise, standing
his place, addressing the presiding officer, and shall
it personalities, and confine himself to the question
ler debate.

When two or more members shall rise at once, the
siding officer shall name the one who shall speak
t.

A member when called to order shall immediately sit
n, unless permitted to explain by the chair. If there
o appeal, the decision shall be conclusive.

Every delegate shall vote, unless excused by the As-
ation, but no delegate shall vote on any question in
ch he shall have a direct individual or pecuniary in-
st, and the President shall only vote in case of a

The ayes and nays shall be taken and entered
n the minutes of the Association, if required by three
gates.

All business not provided for in these By-Laws shall
ransacted according to the parliamentary rules that
rn deliberative bodies. No less than the representa-
of five Companies shall constitute a quorum.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Call to Order.
2. Presentation of Credentials.
3. Reading of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting.
4. Collection of Dues.
5. Report of Officers and Committees.
6. Miscellaneous Business.
7. Volunteer Report of Fire Organizations.
8. Election of Officers.
9. Unfinished Business.
10. Adjournment.

Act Creating a Relief Fund for Disabled Firemen.

General Assembly of North Carolina do Enact :

ECTION 1. That the sum of $2,500.00 be, and the same ereby appropriated annually, and shall constitute a men's Relief Fund, but in no case shall the said ap- riation exceed one-half of the license tax levied and col- d by the State from Insurance Companies,

C. 2. That the Treasurer of the State shall pay the unt constituting the Firemen's Relief Fund to the surer of the North Carolina State Firemen's Associa- on the warrant of the Auditor of the State.

C. 3. That the money so paid in the hands of the surer of the said North Carolina State Firmen's As- tion shall be known and remain as the Firemen's Re- Fund of North Carolina, and shall be used as a fund he relief of Firemen, members of the Association, may be injured or rendered sick by disease contracted e actual discharge of duty as Firemen, and for relief idows' children, and if there be no widow or children, dependent mothers of such Firemen killed or dying disease so contracted in such discharge of duty to be in such manner and in such sums to such individuals e classes herein named and described as maybe provi- or and determined upon in accordance with the Con- ion and By-Laws of said Association. Any such sions and determinations made pursuant to said Con- ion and By-Laws shall be final and conclusive as to the ns entitled to benefits and as to the amount of benefit received, and no action at law shall be maintained st said Association to enforce any claim or recover enefit under this Act, or under the Constitution and aws of said Association ; but if any officer or Com- e of said Association omit or refuse to perform any imposed upon him or them, nothing herein contain- all be construed to prevent any proceedings against fficer or Committee to-compel him or them to per- such duty.

SEC. 4. The Treasurer of the North Carolina Firemen's Association shall give a bond to the Sta North Carolina, with good and sufficient sureties t satisfaction of the Treasurer of the State of North C lina in double of the sum received by him, said Treas for the faithful performance of his duties under thi and shall make detailed report to the State Treasur the yearly expenditure of the appropriation under thi on or before the end of the fiscal year.

SEC, 5. The line of duty specified in Section 3 shal be so construed as to mean any other duty except a fire duty, which shall consist of service in the fire de ment from the time of the fire alarm until the men are dismissed by the company officers at roll call; also actual fire duty connected with the fire department directed to perform same by the officer in charge.

SEC. 5. That any fireman of good moral charact North Carolina, and belonging to any organized fire pany, who will comply with the requisitions of the stitution and By-Laws of the North Carolina State men's Association, may become a member of said ciation, and any organized fire company in North Caro holding itself ready for duty, may, upon compliance the requisitions of said Constitution and By-Laws, bec a member of said North Carnlina State Firemen's ciation.

SEC. 7. That the provisions of this act shall app any fireman who is a member of a regularly orga fire company.

SEC. 8. That this act shall be in force from and its ratification

Ratified this the 6th day of March A. D., 1891.

AMENDMENT.

n act of the last Legislature reads as follows (see page Proceedings of 1893):

n act to amend Section 2, Chapter 868, Laws 1891.

General Assembly of North Carolina do Enact:

ction 1. That Section 2, Chapter 868, Laws 1891, be nded to read as follows:

c. 2. That the Treasurer of the State shall pay the unt constituting the Firemen's Relief Fund on the ant of the Auditor, three-fourths to the Treasurer of h Carolina State Volunteer Firemen's Association erly chartered by law. That the said Treasure of North Carolina State Volunteer Firemen's Association give bond, and the said Association shall disburse unds the same manner and under the same rules as in North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

c. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after tification.

tified March 6th, A. D. 1893.

AMENDMENT.

An act to amend Section 2, Chapter 474 of the La
1893.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA DO ENA

SECTION 1. That Section 2, Chapter 474 of Laws
be amended as follows:

That the word three-fourths in line three, of said
tion be stricken out and the words one-fourth be ins
in lieu thereof.

SEC. 2. That this act be in force from and afte
ratification.

Ratified this the 28th day of February, A. D. 1895.

LIST OF COMPANIES REPRESENTED.

cue Hook and Ladder Co	Asheville	Department.
e Co. No. 1	"	"
rlotte Fire Co. No. 1	Charlotte	"
rlotte Reel Team. No. 1	"	"
neer Reel Team, No. 2	"	"
le Hose Co. No. 4	Salem	"
gh and Ready Fire Co	"	"
le Hose Co. No. 7	Greensboro	"
m Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
tend Hose Co. No. 5	"	"
ensboro Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	"	"
hside Hose Co, No 4	"	"
m Fire Engine Co. No. 2	Winston	"
m Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
k and Ladder Co. No. 1	"	"
k and Ladder Co. No. 1	Wilmington	"
e Co. No. 3	"	"
m Fire Engine Co. No 1	"	"
m Fire Engine Co, No. 2	"	"
nical Co. No. 1	"	"
and Reel Co	Concord	"
and Reel Co. No., 1	"	"
bern Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	New Bern	"
ntic Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
on Fire Co. No, 3	Wilson	"
and Ladder Co. No, 1	Tarboro	"
Co. No. 1	Durham	"
Co. No. 2	"	"
ora Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Fayetteville	"
tteville Fire Co	"	"
Co. No. 1	Goldsboro	"
se steam Fire Engine Co	"	"
ric Reel Co	"	"
Co.	Salisbury	"
and Ladder Co. No. 1	"	"
n Hose Co. No. 1	Henderson	"
narle Fire Co	Elizabeth City	"
Co. No. 1	Spencer	"
nix Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	Washington	"
n Fire Company	"	"
ell S. F. E. Co. No. 1	Kinston	"
l Hose Co	Raleigh	"
e Co	"	"
and Ladder Co	"	"

LIST OF CHIEFS AND ASSISTANT CHIEFS OF DEPART MENTS REPRESENTED IN THE ASSOCIATION.

Chief, J. P. Sawyer	Asheville	Departm
Chief, J. L. Miller	Concord	"
Assistant Chief, H. G. Ritz	"	"
Chief, W. M. Irvine	Charlotte	"
Assistant Chief, J. H. Wentz	"	"
Chief, A. C Stokes	Elizabeth City	"
Assistant Chief, Chas. Reed	"	"
Chief, R. H. McDuffie,	Fayetteville	"
Assistant Chief, C. L. Campbell	"	"
Chief, F. N. Taylor	Greensboro	"
Chief, T. H. Bain	Goldsboro,	"
Assistant Chief, R. A. Creech	"	"
Chief, J. D. Taylor	Kinston	"
Chief, L. H. Lumsden	Raleigh	"
Chief, L. A. Taylor	New Berne	"
Assistant Chief, J. G. Delamar	"	"
Chief, W. T. Whitten	Henderson	"
Chief, T. C. Meinung	Salem	"
Assistant Chief, W. C. Grunert	"	"
Chief, P. H. Moroney	Salisbury	"
Assistant Chief, J. V. Wallace	"	"
Chief, J. T. Morgan	Spencer	"
Chief, H. T. Day	Tarboro	"
Assistant Chief, A. T. Walston	"	"
Chief, J. Frank Maddry	Durham	"
Assistant Chief, W. H Lewellen	"	"
Chief, H. L. Riggins	Winston	"
Assistant Chief, N. B. McCreary	"	"
Chief, Chas. Schibben	Wilmington	"
Assistant Chief, W. P. Monroe	"	"
Chief, Doane Herring	Wilson	"

SUPTS. FIRE ALARMS—W. A. Cruse, Charlotte, W. M. Jack Asheville.

SUPT. WATER WORKS—C. H. Campbell. Charlotte; W. F. Rober Wilmington.

INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS—Dr. J. W. Griffith Greensboro; A. E. Li Durham: Frank Evans, Goldsboro; J. H. Bridgers, Henderson; J Stone, Charlotte.

OMPANY AND DEPARTMENT MEMBERSHIP FOR 1901.

CHARLOTTE DEPARTMENT.

FIRE CO. NO. 1-

3. Glenn, Sec'y	Will Devereaux	E. A. Moody
. Charles,	C. M. Jetton	M. M. Wallace
Orr,	J. M. Davidson	J. W. Arnold
Cresswell	W. F. Simpson	J. J. Shuman
Charles Renz	Richard Northey.	

CHARLOTTE REEL TEAM:

Swinson	C. M. Wills	W. S. Orr
Pettus	Frank Orr	B D Davis
Wade Foil,	Henry Roedgier.	

PIONEER REEL TEAM.

Orr	L. G. Cruse	R. K. Blair
y Muse	W. C. Owens	M. L. Frazier
	J. H. Wallace.	

SALEM DEPARTMENT,

EAGLE HOSE CO. NO. 4.

L Farley	Rufus A. Shore	C. M. Fullbright.
H Tesh	H. H. Holbrook	Robt. Vernon
I Farrington	F. H. Lewis	John E. Pfaff. Sec.
o Jenkins	W. M. Kinel	Thos. Miller
S Holder	P. E. Bryant	Jas Bostic
E. W. Jarvins	A. A. Rothrock	

ROUGH AND READY FIRE CO.

J Brewer	Francis Kimel	W. S. Pfohl
b Spaugh	William Petree	Wesley Everhart
a Davis	S. G. Rogers	Sam'l Faircloth,
W T. Schott, Sec'y.	Jas. Petree	J Walter Jarvis,
J Peddicord	Jas. Linebach	Gaston Maddison
a Russell	Harry Nissen	Edw. Mickey
Walter Hege	Wm. Goslen	

GREENSBORO DEPARTMENT.

EAGLE HOSE CO. NO. 7.

Roland Flemmings
C C Shaw
R. C. Whittington
J. L. Thacker
Wm. Smothers
Harry Pezolt, Sec'y.
W. L. Cranfo
L A Wyrick
Dave. Sargean
H. J. Elam
Geo. Shaw.

STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO. NO. 1.

J. T. Abbott,
Chas. Carl
E. A. Cox
Jno. Lewis
C. M. Thomas
R. T. Skener
L. A. Andrews
H. G. Lewis, S
W. W. Bone
Chas. Archie
C. A. Davis.

WEST END HOSE CO.

W. B. Hunt
G. W. Malcomb
G. G. Moore
J. H. Prince,

HOOK AND LADDER CO. NO. 1.

L. G. Wharton
J. T. Cox
W. R. Pleasant
C. D. Cunningham.
C. G. Burton
C. D. Boycott
E. E. Bain
Lee V. Butner, Sec'y.
R. H. Wharton.
B. A. Boone
R. B. Beall
W. J. Clapp
C. F. Fuller.

SOUTHSIDE CO. NO. 4.

Chas. Mendenhall
W. R. Elliott
J. H. Phipps
C. E. Brower
W. L. Guthrie
Chas. Hiatt
W. R. Elliott
L. M. Clymer.

WINSTON DEPARTMENT.

STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO. NO. 2.

J. M. Dean
Frank White
N. D. Sheets,
J. W. Barge
R. M. Tuttle
E. H. Crawford
A. A. Dean
Dr. J. W. Petty
J. J. Cofer,
Jno. A. Gilliam
F. A. Hines
Jno. Julian
E. E. Ellis
H. Citrenbaum
W. B. Little,
J. A. L. Miller
S. S. Hall,
E. T. Rothroc
M. L. Long
Lewis F. Evans.

STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO. NO. 1.

Haithcox	R. H. Crews	R. D. Pegram
Gales	J. W. Stout	G. H. Myers
Alred	R. L. Rogers,	J. R. Crutchfield
Rights	Lewis Thomas	D. C. Martin
Hooper.	S. J. Lamb	Wilson Thompson
Hege	R. S. Westmoreland	W. E. Smith
	J. H. Holmes, Sec'y.	

HOOK AND LADDER CO. NO. 1.

Taylor	S. G. Anderson	W. S. Lindsay
Price	J. W. Young,	W. F. Swaim, Sec.
Barbee	H. J. Stultz	Robt. Bryant
Wall,	P. L. Miller,	Jno. Livengood
n Barbee	O. E. Lupferts	W. Richmond
. Hughes	E. W. Carroll,	W. B. Upsher
C. M. Norfleet		Paul Miller.

DURHAM DEPARTMENT.

HOSE CO. NO. 2.

Chamberlain	J. J. Phipps, Sec'y.	Max Summerfield
Johnson,	J. A. Harris	A. A. Strayhorn
Cagle	C. J, Markham	L. Y. Cash
audle,	C. M, Beasley	W. D. Turner
Iarkham,	C. L. Dickson	W. P. Brock.

HOSE CO. NO. 1.

eams, Jr.	L. L. Clark, Sec'y.	J. W. Hicks
S. J. Gooch		J. S. Maynor.

WILSON DEPARTMENT.

FIRE CO NO. 3.

s. Hadley. Jr.	R. E. Batton	Ernest Dean, Sec.
Hinnant	A. G. Winstead	Frank Winstead

NEW BERN DEPARTMENT.

STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO. NO. 1.

E. ibbard	H. G. Draney,	F. A. Gaskill
H. angert	L. J. Taylor	H. S. Stryon,

H. D. Wood — Jno. Gaskill — C. E. Case
Guy Cox — T. C. Daniels, Sec'y. — C. D. Bradha
H. D. Salter — W. B. Hanff

ATLANTIC STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO. NO. 1.

H. E. Royal — Jas. Redmond — A. F. Willis
J. C. Scales, Sec'y. — H. W. Simpson — J. L. Hartsfi
C. J. McSorley — H. B. Smith — T. A. Green
C. S. Hill — E. E. Williams — J. H. Nelson
W. F. Richardson.

WILMINGTON DEPARTMENT.

CHEMICAL CO. NO. 1.

P. N. Fick — Frank Green — H. L. Kidd
Jno. B. King.

STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO. NO. 1.

B. R. Russell — John N. Mohr — W. H. Merr
J. R. Hardee — J. C. Bowden — W. R. Bonh
J. E. Haar — A. J. Burruss — J. L. White

HOOK AND LADDER CO. NO. 1.

J. Wannamaker, Sec'y. — Robert M. Cain — Jas. Wenbo
C. C. Mallard — R. H. King — G. T. Willi

HOSE CO. NO. 3.

L. Freimuth — E. O. Allen — J. I. Bland
E. A. Hughes — B. F. Swann — J. H. Willia

STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO. NO. 2.

W. A. Canady — T. B. Jackson — R. A. Cromw
C. L. Kuhl — J. B. O'Sullivan.

FAYETTEVILLE DEPARTMENT.

FAYETTEVILLE FIRE CO.

W. B. Johnson — Connor Holland — Henry McDu
E. L. Pool — S. D. L. Smith — Lonnie Mans
Penn McNeill — Jas. McRae — J. D. Calais
D. H. Maultsby — Dr. J. W. McNeill — Emmett Peml
C. L. Jones — R. G. Jones — Jas. Fairclot

CHICORA STEAM FIRE ENGINE CO. NO. 1.

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McNeill	W. T. Saunders	E T. Watson
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Schwab	Jno. Hage	J. A. King
acs	Augustus Hilker	Willie Boyette
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Hinson	W. A. Tudor	W. B. Ballinger
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ones	W. O. Benton	W. D. Creech
addler, Sec'y.	Sam Pate	Marcus Jones
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PROGRAMME.

TUESDAY, JULY 23, 1901.

RECEPTION OF DELEGATES AND VISITING FIREMEN.

11:00 a m.—Convention called to order by the President.
Prayer.
Address of Welcome.
Response.
Regular Order of Business.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 1901.

9:00 a. m.—Street Parade.
11:00 a. m.—Engine Contest.
2:00 p. m.—Horse Hose Wagon Race.
4:00 p. m.—Baseball.
5:00 p. m.—Hook and Ladder Contest.
8:00 p. m.—Band Contest.

THURSDAY, JULY 25, 1901.

9:00 a. m.—Championship Reel Team Contest.
11:00 a. m.—Junior Reel Team Contest.
2:00 p. m.—Hand Reel Race.
5:00 p. m.—Grab Reel Race.

FRIDAY, JULY 26, 1901.

INTERSTATE DAY.

9:00 a. m.—Horse Hose Wagon Race.
11:00 a. m.—Hook and Ladder Race.
2:00 p. m.—Hand Reel Race.
5:00 p. m.—Grab Reel Race.
6:30 p. m.—Individual Foot Race.

PRIZE LIST.

State.

ENGINE CONTEST.

k Steaming.	Winston No. 1	First Prize	$ 50.00
k Steaming		Second Prize	25.00
Distance	Winston	First Prize	50.00
Distance		Second Prize	25.00

HORSE HOSE WAGON RACE.

Prize	Goldsboro No. 1	$ 100.00
d Prize	Eclipse, Goldsboro	50.00

HAND REEL RACE.

Prize	Charlotte Reel Team.	$ 100.00
d Prize	South Sides, Greensboro	50.00

GRAB REEL CONTEST.

Prize	Spencer No. 1	$ 50.00
d Prize	Tarboro Reel Team	25 00

JUNIOR HAND REEL CONTEST.

Prize	Eagles Jr., Greensboro	$ 25.00
d Prize		15.00

HOOK AND LADDER CONTEST.

Prize	Winston No. 1	$ 100.00
d Prize	Greensboro	50.00

INTER-STATE.

HORSE HOSE WAGON RACE.

First Prize. .....Delgar Squad, Sumter, S. C.... $
Second Prize..... .....Goldsboro No. 1.....

HAND REEL CONTEST.

First Prize .. ..Charlotte No. 1..... $
Second Prize.....South Sides, Greensboro.. .....

GRAB REEL CONTEST.

First Prize..... .. .. Spencer No. 1..... $
Second Prize..... .... Durham No. 2.... ....

HOOK AND LADDER RACE.

First Prize.....Winston H. and L. Co..... $
Second Prize..... ..Greensboro H. and L Co.....

BAND CONTEST.

First Prize . ...Concord..... ..... $
Second Prize ....

SPECIAL.

Individual Foot Race (100 yards) Gold Medal, offered by Garit
Bruns, Jewelers.

HENRY ROEDIGER, CHARLOTTE.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

Fifteenth Annual Convention and Tournament

OF THE

North Carolina State Firemen's Association,

HELD AT

RALEIGH, N. C.,

TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY,

JULY 22, 23, 24, 1902.

WILMINGTON, N. C.,
WILMINGTON STAMP WORKS,
1903.

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FAYETTEVILLE MEETING, AUGUST 3-5, 1897.

D. McNeill, President. J. C. Michie, Secretary.
. Parmelee, First V.-Pres. T. A. Green, Treasurer.
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GOLDSBORO MEETING, JULY 26-28, 1898.

D. McNeill, President. J. W. Griffith, Secretary.
Stone, First Vice- Pres. T. A. Green, Treasurer.
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GREENSBORO MEETING, AUGUST 1-4, 1899.

D. McNeill, President. J. W. Griffith, Secretary.
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WILMINGTON MEETING, JULY 10-13, 1900.

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. Riggins, First V.-Pres. T. A. Green, Treasurer.
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CHARLOTTE MEETING, JULY 23-26, 1901.

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RALEIGH MEETING, JULY 22-24, 1902.

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James D. McNeill,

President,

Elected 1894.

PROCEEDINGS.

The Fifteenth Annual Convention of the North Carina State Firemen's Association was convened at Raleigh, . C., on Tuesday, July 23rd, at 12 o'clock M.

President McNeill:

ENTLEMEN AND MEMBERS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION:

It is my duty as well as my pleasure to call to order the Fifteen- Annual Convention of the North Carolina State Firemen's Asciation, and I ask all present to rise while Rev. Dr. I. McK. Pittenr invokes the blessings of the Great High Chief of the Universe on our deliberations.

Rev. I. McK. Pittenger:

Let us pray. O God, our Heavenly Father, Almighty and Evlasting God, we look upon Thee as unto our God and Father, me believing in Thee as the only living and true God, Maker f eaven and Earth, and in Jesus Christ as the Son of God and Savior the world: we come trusting in Thy mercy and in Thy gracious omises: we come trusting in His redeeming blood and atoning crifice; and we ask Thee, O God, to look upon us at this time, and ant us Thy blessing. We desire in all our ways to acknowledge ee, because it is in Thee that we live and move and have our be- . We bless Thee for our creation, preservation and for all the ssings of this life. We thank Thee for the Good Providence t has prolonged our days, that has preserved us in health, and the many mercies with which Thou hast crowned our days: and look to Thee now for Thy blessing upon this assembly. We thank ee, O God, for the strength and vigor of manhood. We thank ee for the service to which these men have dedicated themselves, l we pray that in their unselfish and noble and patriotic service their fellowmen, they may have the rich blessing of almighty l. We pray that Thou wilt bless them in their deliberations, t Thou wilt defend them in the dangers to which they may be osed in the discharge of their duty, and we pray Thee to grant t in the discharge of their duty in the rescue and defence of

their fellowmen, they may be sensible of the attendant blessings o Almighty God and the favor of their fellowmen. We ask, O God that Thou wilt endue us with much strength from a strong God May we be like unto Thy servant of old, who exclamed "In the strength of my God I can leap over a wall." And may they have that blessing with which Thou hast endowed the Angels who serve Thee, and who at Thy command go forth to the service of angel and men. We thank Thee, O God, that these men are willing to devote themselves, their strength and their time to this willing service to their fellowmen, and we ask that Thy blessing may attend and preserve them. Direct us on Lord in all our doing with Thy most gracious favor, and further us with Thy continual help that in all our works begun, continued and ended in Thee, we may glorify Thy Holy Name, and finally by Thy mercy obtain everlasting life.

Our Father, who art in Heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil: for Thine is the Kingdom and the Power, and the Glory for ever and ever. Amen.

President McNeill:

GENTLEMEN OF THE CONVENTION:

I have the honor of presenting to you his Honor, Mayor A. M. Powell of Raleigh.

Mayor Powell:

MR. PRESIDENT AND GENTLEMEN OF THE CONVENTION:

It affords me pleasure to welcome this Convention to the city and to extend to them the freedom of the city. I will now introduce to you Col. M. T. Leach, who will deliver the address of welcome to you.

Mr. Leach:

MR. PRESIDENT AND GENTLEMEN OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION:

It gives me pleasure to extend to you the hospitality of our city. When I look over this magnificent body, and remember that but a few years ago we had not a semblance of organization in this State for the protection of life and property, I congratulate you. I thank you for coming among us, and giving us an opportunity of extending to you our hospitality.

But twelve years ago, there was not an organization in North rolina that could afford any assitance in that great time of ca-nity, when fire swept everything before it, until, this organiza-n was brought forth. The ordinary citizen, my fellow-citizens, I address you as such because you are not only fellow-citizens, you more than that. You are the protectors of the property and es of our citizens. What nobler calling could man be engaged in—at organization in our State or out of it is any more noble or patri-c than that of the volunteer fireman, without reward, or hope of cuniary reward, without hope of reward, except that of duty ly and manfully performed in saving the property and lives of fellowmen? I greet you therefore to your Capital City. This OUR city I am glad to see you among us, and I hope to hear other organizations. Whereas you have now fifty or sixty organ-cions, there should be one in every hamlet and town in North olina. You have a Chieftain here to whom I know this organi-ion owes its success. Follow him as your leader, and when you called together to meet again I hope there will be one hundred fifty organizations in North Carolina, What nobler cause ld men devote their lives to without hope of reward, than that vorking at night to save the helpless babe in its mother's arms. ough hail and snow and sleet, at the sound of the fire gong he p and away to save your little ones lives. to protect your prop-, your lives and your familes. I therefore cheer you on in your rts. The people in your own county and in your own town have appreciated your efforts, because it is an institution among us ch is comparatively new. Go on as you have begun, and I will nise you, and I bid you God speed in your effort, that five years ce there will not be an organization in North Carolina as strong powerful as the North Carolina State Firemen's Association

President McNeill:

TLEMEN OF THE CONVENTION AND MR. SPEAKER AND MR. MAYOR:

have the honor to present to you the Honorable R. B. Doug-of Greensboro, one of our leading voluntary firemen, who endeavor to express to you our appreciation of this generous itality and kind words of welcome.

Mr. Douglass:

CHAIRMAN, MR. MAYOR, MR. SPEAKER AND THE CITIZENS OF RALEIGH:

feel certain that I voice the sentiments of not only myself ny own immedite associates in Greensboro, but of the entire

delegation here present from Cherokee to Currituck, when I sa to these gentlemen who have so kindly welcomed us to their ci that it is with sincere pleasure that we are here with them toda I am sure that we appreciate very much the kind words that ha here been said to us in regard to the manner in which we do o duty ; and in reply, I can only say that with the help of the Gre Chief above, we will endeavor in our humble way and as far possible, that we will continue to deserve even more than we ha in the past, these kind words which you have spoken to us.

A great part of our work is in the actual combat of ma with flame, but there is another part which is far more pleasan and in a certain manner, equally as important, and that is o meetings—our annual meetings which take place in some of o North Carolina cities. We should not, my friends, overlook t importance of these meetings, for we all know in whatever line business we may be, we all know no matter what the place is, th in union there is strength, and these meeting where we inte change ideas, where we can come together, where we can ta with each other, see each other's apparatus, see each other's mo and method of fighting fire, and using their apparatus—this, I sa is an immense advantage to us, and for this the annual meetin of the Association should be as important to every one of us, any rate, almost as important, as the call of the fire alarm. A there is another thing which calls itself to my mind, meeting you here together from every part of North Carolina, and that is t while we are firemen, while we are all firemen here assembled, are still and moreover citizens of North Carolina. The great o State is our mother either by birth or adoption, and she and h interests are dear to all of us—and you are coming from the Ea and from the West, from the North and from the South, and mee ing here together, not only as firemen, but as citizens of our Stat It brings our chiefs into closer communion with one another. makes us feel more like we are children of the same dear o mother. And that is another reason why we are glad to me here in our Capital City, and to meet with one another, and ev more so, to meet with our kind, generous hosts who have so war ly welcomed us. Therefore I say that I voice the sentiments—a I know I do—of everyone here assembled, when in their nam gentlemen. I thank you most cordially and from the botto of my heart for the kind welcome which you have extended to And I assure you that our visit to your city will be both a pleasu and a profit to every one of us.

President McNEILL :

GENTLEMEN OF THE CONVENTION :

I think it proper that we should on this occasion of our visit our Capital City, have an expression from all of the leading partments in the State, showing our appreciation for the courties that have been extended to us here in Raleigh. And although I have not yet been able to see some of the leading emen, from their having been detained or the lateness of their ins, still there are some here whom I will be very glad to have spond to a call that I shall make upon them, as one of their other firemen, to express their appreciation of the courtesies own us by the people of Raleigh. I first call upon chief Miller Concord.

MR. MILLER:

R. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN OF THE CONVENTION:

There is nothing I can say to add to what has already been said. nly want to say this for Concord. Though we have only been in ur midst twenty-four hours, it will be many, many days before we get the kind hospitality that has already been extended to us by citizens of Raleigh, and especially by their fire department.

President McNEILL:

If there is one city in North Carolina that is known all over the ited States for its interest in its fire department, it is the city of w Bern. I ask that the representative from the city of New rn, Mr. Delamar, express to the citizens and fire department of leigh, his appreciation of their kindness and the courtesies exded to us.

MR. DELAMAR:

NTLEMEN:

I am no speaker, but I wish in the name of the different departnts of the city of New Bern, to answer the kind words of eting, and to express our gratitude for the cordiality with which have been received in the city here, and to thank you all for the rtesy you have shown us.

President McNEILL:

Chief Maddry, of Durham, is chief of one of the most progressive artments in the State. I ask himto express for the department Durham, their appreciation for the courtesy we have received.

MR. MADDRY:

Mr. President, in behalf of the Durham firemen, I will say that are glad to have this opportunity of meeting with you all. We

appreciate the kind things said in extending a welcome to the firc men of the State, and I am sure, sir, that we are going to have good time. Our department is here thirty-five to forty strong, an we are going to have a good time.

President McNeill:

We have another deparment which is compartively new, bu by its success it has placed itself in the very first ranks, and I woul ask some fireman from Goldsboro to express its appreciation fo the courtesies extended to us.

Mr. Well:

We in Goldsboro are not in the habit of saying very much, bu we hope to live up to the standard. And we thank the citizens an departments of Raleigh for the courteous reception and welcom they have given us, and I hope that the bond of union betwee Goldsboro and Raleigh will be cemented still closer.

President McNeill:

When I called this Convention together, I extended an invita tion to every Mayor and Chairman of the fire departments of all o the towns in North Carolina, even to every hamlet, and I hope th a great many of them will be here. I see one Mayor in North Ca olina who is especially interested in his fire department, and I woul ask the Hon. A. H. Boyden, of Salisbury. to acknowledge to th citizens of Raleigh his appreciation, and to express his views as t conditions generally

Mr. Boyden:

Mr. President and Gentlemen:

I am here by the invitation from the President of this Associa tion. I am here by duty called. I am here at the request of th firemen of the town of Spencer, and a set of nobler men never exist ed. I am here because I am a friend of every fireman in the Stat of North Carolina.

Since my incumbency as Mayor of the city of Salisbury, ther has been nothing that so pleased and interested me as its fire de partment, And there is nothing I could do for it, and no aid whic I could give the fire department in my town which I have not glad ly and willingly done. I believe my fire department will bear me ou in this, It is useless for me to say anything to you about the recor of the North Carolina Firemen—it is known all over North Car olina—God bless her. There is no set of men, there is no soldier

ere is no patriotic duty greater or more important than that of e volunteer firemen of North Carolina. There is no call that is responded to promptly and quickly by them. There is but one bition in the heart of the fireman—that is, to see how quickly he n respond to the call, make his connection, and put out the fire. d in return, what does he ask? Nothing but the commendation his fellow-citizens where he lives—that is all. God bless the fire-n of North Carolina.

Now Mr. Chairman, I am glad I am welcome to Raleigh. I say at Raleigh is my second home. I am glad I am here. Before we ve here Thursday night, there is not a man of us who will not "I am glad I came to Raleigh. Let's come again as soon as we n." Raleigh is filled with the noblest people on God's earth. ey are magnificent, kind, generous, open hearted. I received hospitality of this glorious city for years. Its gates have been ened from time immemorial to entertain all kinds of conventions l all classes of people, and I dare say that no people ever left the tals of Raleigh without saying: "God bless the people of leigh." I know Mr. Leach well, and I know all he said was from bottom of his heart; and you will have an open town today and the time that you are here.

President McNeill:

Upon the roll of the North Carolina Firemen's Association is name of one town, that though really a North Carolina town, o far to get to that you have to go to another State to get to I mean the town of Elizabeth City. They deserve a great deal redit for their attendance upon this Convention, and if there is one here from that town, I would like for them to respond.

Chief Stokes, of Elizabeth City:

Mr. President, I have nothing to say, except to express for my rtment our appreciation for kindness and cordiality with which have been welcomed to our Capital City.

President McNeill:

We have another Mayor in our midst, the Hon. George Webb, inston, and his experiences have been such that I would like to some remarks from him concerning them.

Mr. Webb:

As I have told you, I am not a talking member but I think you hit the key note in the city of Raleigh and the strength of the h Carolina Fire Department.

So far as being Mayor is concerned, I think that the grea Comedian Pool was correct. On one occasion he was dining a an English Inn. After he was through with his meal, he remarke that he thought he had dined as well as any man in all Englan The host told him he would have to except the Mayor. He tol him he would not except the Mayor or anybody else. The host sai he MUST except the Mayor, but he said he would not do it, and th host told him he would have to go before a Magistrate, who fine him five shillings and costs, and told him it was the custom in En land always to except the Mayor. The Comedian then turned t his host and told him, "I think you are the biggest fool in all En land except the Mayor." So much for the Mayor. We have ne conditions and men to deal with each year, and I cannot promi to be with you next year—somebody may have my place.

President McNeill:

We hope not.

Mr. Webb:

I do too, as far as that is concerned.

Tradition has it that there was once a king who made up h mind to try a hunting season, so he called his weather prophet and asked him if the weather would be favorable at a certain tin The prophet seeing that his master's mind was made up, told h that the weather would be good on that day. When the day a rived, the king went on his hunt, though the weather looked ve threatening. On his way, he met an old farmer. and the old fe low said to him, "Oh King, why are you out in such weather this? "The king replied that his weather prophet had foreto that the weather would be favorable, but the old farmer told hi he had better go home, for the weather was going to be very ba True to the old farmer's prediction, the weather turned out to very bad, and the king went home and censured his weather pr phet, and sent for the old farmer, and told him he would make hi his weather prophet. Whereupon the farmer said, "Do not mak a prophet out of me. I did not tell that of myself. My donke told me by the way he moved his ears." The king then said, "Mak the donkey my weather prophet," and ever since that time t donkeys have been wanting to be prophets.

President McNeill:

Gentlemen of the Convention:

We have with us to-day one department, that for some reas satisfactory to themselves, have not been attending our Conve

ons recently; and I want to congratulate them upon their pre-
nce. I refer to the fire department of the City of Monroe, and
hope Mr. Stevens of that department is present and will let us
ear from him.

MR. STEVENS:

Mr. President, it was my pleasure to attend the Charleston Ex-
osition during North Carolina week. It was my pleasure to be
resent and hear the magnificent address of our great Governor,
harles B. Aycock, and I remember upon that occasion when he
ad closed his magnificent address before that vast assembly, and
hen the President of the United States began to address it, he
id that the only complaint he had to make was that the Governor
North Carolina had made his speech. I have listened with in-
rest to the speeches which have been made by the gentlemen who
ave preceded me, and I want to say that the gentlemen from
reensboro and those who have followed him have already made my
eech, and I have none to make.

I do want to say, however, that Monroe is proud of her fire de-
rtment. There are a great many things we have of which we
e proud—I might talk to you a good while about our health giv-
g water, about our beautiful women, and about a number of
ings in which Monroe takes pride. But there is nothing within
e city limits which the citizens of Monroe try harder to uphold
d in which they take a deeper interest than in our fire depart-
ent,

Mr. President, this is the Capital of the State of North Carolina.
om it should radiate an influence in behalf of every movement
ich is calculated to better the condition of North Carolina, and
m glad to know and am glad to see that the City of Raleigh has
ken such an interest in this Association, and that they have done
much for the enjoyment of the Association here upon this occa-
n Upon the part of the Monroe Association, I desire to thank
m for the kindness and courtesy which they have extended to us.
ere is no organization or association in North Carolina, Mr. Pre-
ent, which is of more interest, save perhaps the Church, to the
ple of North Carolina than our fire department. The fire de-
rtment of North Carolina faces danger in saving the property of
ry individual and citizen of the State. I will say that there is
higher form of patriotism than that exhibited by the voluntary
men who faces danger and who takes his life in his hands for the
tection of his neighbor and of his fellow men. I say this on be-
f of the firemen of Monroe, whose services are voluntary, and
en without hope of reward, and of whom the citizens of Monroe
proud, I desire to thank the citizens of Raleigh for the interest

they have shown in this movement which is beginning to result in so much good, meeting together, touching elbow to elbow, meeting one another and becoming acquainted with one another. It is calculated to arouse a greater enthusiasm and a deeper interest all over the State. And I believe that it will do a great deal for the interest of this association of which we are so proud.

President McNeill :

The chair would like the department of Henderson to give some expression of gratitude for the courtesies which we have received.

Mr. Whitten :

I desire to say in behalf of the Henderson fire department, that we thank the Mayor and the citizens of Raleigh for the courtesy extended to us during this Convention, and we all expect to have a good time while we are here at the Capitol of the State. At some future day, we hope to reciprocate, and have the Convention to meet in our Town.

President McNeill :

I would like to hear from the department of Charlotte.

Second Vice-President Orr :

Mr. President, I would like to state that our department has not yet arrived, though they will be here soon. And I ask the gentlemen to allow me to go to the hotel and wash up a little.

President McNeill :

I would like to hear something from the department of Tarboro.

Mr. Day :

I am not much of a talker, but like the gentleman from Monroe, my speech has already been made. There have been a few points touched on, that have interested me greatly. Tarboro is a small town, but she has good material there if you can only get the people aroused. I have heretofore offered to pay the railroad fare of our City Council to the State Firemen's Convention if they would attend it, and here is my reason for it. The little town of Tarboro is base ball crazy, and will do anything in the world for its base ball team—and they can play ball! But when it comes to the firemen they do very little. Their interest has never been aroused. And I rise now to ask every firemen in the house if there is anything I can do to the citizens of Tarboro to get them interested in their fire

artment, I wish they would help us out. We desire to thank the zens and the departments of Raleigh for their welcome to us.

President McNEILL :

I have not had the pleasure of meeting any members from ston-Salem this morning. I suppose they too have been de-d.

President McNEILL :

TLEMEN OF THE CONVENTION :

It is our duty, and we make it our duty as far as we can, to ect our citizens from fire here upon earth. I have upon my left a gentleman who is also interested in protecting you from fire, it is in the world to come—and he desires to say a few words to firemen of North Carolina :

REV. DR. I. McK. PITTENGER :

I do not know about that fire—I am not so certain about that. l you my dear friends, and I am not ashamed to tell you that ked for an opportunity to speak a word to those who are our ectors from fire—to the firemen of North Carolina. And I t to say that I have experienced some of the benefits of the vity of the fire department of this Capitol City.

want to say this. I heard a discussion not long ago as to the acter of speech that was to be delivered at the meeting here is City of the Undertakers of North Carolina, and there was cussion as to what the character of that speech must have . And then I heard another discussion as to the character of peech that ought to have been delivered when the Conven-of the Dentists assembled in Raleigh. I do not know what e speeches were, but I think certainly that the proper person elected to deliver the speech of welcome for the City of Ral-to-day, to the firemen of North Carolina. And I want to say cur entirely with the sentiment he expressed, and I only wish a friend of mine, one of the most gallent and one of the most ilrous of men, ond one of the bravest citizens of North Caro-I mean Dr. A. W. Knox, of this city, could have been here to-o say what he would have liked to say to you. And I want to his, that there is truth in everything you have said about the of the Firemen's Association in North Carolina. There is in every word of it. And I want to say this, I think that one e noblest features of your work is expressed in that word, ntary." It is not a paid, mercenary service. And I want to his, and I am sure from what I have seen and know, that I

speak for the whole State, that not only can a man welcome to h house when it is in danger of being burned, for their efficient se vice, the members of your department, but you will find them ge tlemen. When they enter your house, their conduct there marked as the conduct of gentlemen, and when they go away, y feel that not only gratitude for their service, but your estimati of their characters is that they are gentlemen. I only wish th I were able to do ten times what I can do to maintain and perpe uate the excellence of the service that you have attained to ready. I am glad to welcome you to the City of Raleigh.

President McNeill :

GENTLEMEN OF THE CONVENTION :

Acting in conjunction with us in our benificent efforts to sa life and property, the legislative powers of North Carolina, a f years back, established an Insurance Department. That is in r ality the same thing that is established in other States, that Fire Masters. I see in the audience Hon. James R, Young, Ins ance Commissioner, who at your evening session will address on the questions pertaining to his department, and connecting both. But I would like for Mr. Young to show himself to you, a to express his appreciation of our presence and of the courte that have been extended us.

Mr. Young :

MR. PRESIDENT AND GENTLEMEN OF THE CONVENTION :

It gives me pleasure to be present with you here this morni and in behalf of the State officials and of the Administration, welcome you to the City of Raleigh, and to express our appreci tion of the great work you are doing throughout the State North Carolina. I thank your President for the kind words whi he has spoken to you. It is a pleasure for me to be here. I ha known him long, and have watched with more than a personal terest the work he is doing in behalf of the Firemen of Nor Carolina and for the good of the State. I am glad to be here t day to meet not only him, but to meet others of this Conventi whom I know personally. And I am especially glad, gentleme to be here today and to meet with some of you with whom I have personal acquaintance, but with whom I have had considerab correspondence. I am glad for the firemen and gentlemen North Carolina to know that I can, and do do something else th simply write letters and send out circulars. My department, ge tlemen, is connected with the work you do, and there is not a b

work being done in North Carolina than that of saving property the State. It can be done and it must be done. And I have been operating with your President since I have been Insurance Commissioner of North Carolina, that there should not be a city or town the State of North Carolina where there should not be an organd fire department.

We should have such fire departments as each city and town afford. A volunteer department, of course, is the only kind that reat many of them can afford, and we should have that—and we uld have such apparatus as the town can afford, to work with. ey should have the encouragement of the cities and towns oughout North Carolina. I believe there is nothing in which rth Carolina is so far behind—there is nothing which the property lers of the State so little appreciate as the importance of the k which the fire departments do, and the necessity of having m supplied with good apparatus, and backing them at all times under all circumstances with the good will of the citizens of State.

I congratulate you that are here today, not for the number who present—I look upon your faces, and I congratulate you upon character of the men who constitute your Association. When ok around and see the uniforms and the apparatus which show the cities are backing you, I congratulate you that there is bearoused in the cities of North Carolina more interest in your alf. Gentlemen, I bid you welcome to the city. If there is anyg I can do for you, I will be glad to do it. I will be glad to have call in and see me, and let us understand each other better, and s talk over together the work that you and I are both doing to the fires in our grand old State.

President McNeill :

MAYOR, MR. SPEAKER AND CITIZENS OF RALEIGH:

Responses from the bulk of the departments of the Association been made, expressing our appreciation to you for the courthat has been extended to us. And now, in behalf of the volr firemen of North Carolina, in behalf of the visitors who are oeing entertained in your Capitol City, and in behalf of every n of North Carolina who is interested in this question of fire ction and prevention, I thank you sirs, from the big heart of , for the courtesies you have extended us and for the kind s of welcome you have given us. We thank you, and we hope ur deportment as men and gentlemen while with you. to so im upon you the element of true manhood which is in this body n, that you will regret as much to see us leave your city as we egret leaving it. Again I thank you.

The chair will now state that the Convention is called to orde and is ready for any business that may properly come before it.

The chair will state that in our regular order of business, th presentation of credentials comes first, and I would suggest that th Secretary now call the roll of departments, and see how many ar present, after which a Committee on Credentials will be appointe and then we will suggest a recess until the afternoon session.

The following Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs of Depar ments represented in the Association answered the ro call:

President McNeill:

The chair will appoint as a Committee on Credentials the fo lowing named gentlemen:

J. F. Maddry, of Durham.

H. L. Stevens, of Monroe.

H. T. Day, of Tarboro.

H. Weil, of Goldsboro.

J. L. Miller, of Concord.

This Committee will report first thing at the afternoon se sion. When the recess is taken, the Secretary has delegates badg which I would like for every delegate to go and have himse equipped with.

The chair is now ready to entertain any other busines that the Convention wants to go through with.

Mr. Maddry, of Durham:

I would like to ask a question as to the meeting of that Com mittee.

President McNeill:

I ask that they meet here, immediately after the adjournmen and that you all prepare your report as far as possible, before th reassembling of the Convention at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Green:

The motion I wish to make is that the Chief Marshal be re quested to invite the officials of the City of Raleigh and the Stat Officials also to participate in the parade to-morrow.

President McNEILL :

It has been moved and seconded that the Chief Marshal be ask- to request the Governor and State Officials, and the Officials of City of Raleigh, to take their proper places in our parade to- rrow. Motion adopted.

President McNEILL :

I have also the honor to present to you the Hon. Joseph E. gue, who is our Chief Marshal. I trust you will give him all the istance you can in having that parade formed in the morning on e, and that you will take your positions in the parade with that mptness that has hitherto characterized us.

MR. POGUE :

Any remark from me upon this occassion would be a discord- note. I thank the Chairman for inviting me to this rostrum. said he would not call on me for a speech, but he would be glad ave me occupy a chair—that was the contract I had with him. ll say, however, as I am on my feet, a thing I did not anticipate, y powers of oration will express themselves in the parade to- row.

I wish to thank the Raleigh fire department for what I con- e to be a most distinguished courtesy and honor. I have nev- n my life been a marshal for anything, not even an assistant shal. And when this call came to me unanimously from these e volunteer firemen of our Capitol city, upon first impulse, I ked them most courteously and declined. Yet when it was ished the following morning through their extraordinary tesy, I cheerfully acquiesced; and my best services are at the nand of the firemen of North Carolina. From the apparatus you have brought here today,from the splended work of your ftain, and the organization is not very old—it is abundantly rant that the firemen of this State will not only be recognized e municipalities of the State, In more liberal support and tions, but by the Legislature of the State, which is your due. services are rendered without any consideration—Patriotism pts the volunteer fireman. And I repeat that I feel it to be nost distinguished honor that could fall to me to act as your f Marshal. And I trust that every piece of apparatus will be ptly in line to-morrow morning at nine or half past nine ck as the hour may be announced by the press—and that ev- ember of each company will be at his proper place, behind front of his apparatus, and that we may have a parade that mpress the importance of the organization as it never has impressed before. I thank you gentlemen, for this courtesy.

MR. STEVENS, of Monroe :

I think this meeting will be complete in all things, but I c not think it would be incomplete if some insurance agent wou come forward with tears of gladness in his eyes to thank the fir men of North Carolina for the dollars they have saved the insu ance companies up to this time.

President MCNEILL :

My experience has been that the insurance men of North Ca olina do not express with tears in their eyes their appreciatio for what we have done.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Conver tion take a recess until 3 o'clock P. M.

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Convention called to order by the President at 3 o'cloc

President MCNEILL :

It is very important that the list of members of this Conve tion be made complete, and if there are any chiefs or assista chiefs, or superintendents of water works or fire alarms, or a delegates who have come in since the morning session, I shou like them to send their names in at once, so their names can recorded and they can be made members of the Convention.

As the roll call has been gone through with, any who have n sent in credentials will please make it known Secretary plea call the roll.

Secretary VonGlahn called the roll of companies :

President MCNEILL :

Is the Committee on Credentials ready to report ?

Committee on Credentials reports the following dela gates representing the companies :

Charlotte Reel Team No. 1.—L. H. Hammel and B. S. Davis.

Wilson Hose Company No. 3.—T. J. Hadley, Jr., R. L. Batton.

Rocky Mount Steam Fire Engine No. 1 —D. D. Daughtrige, H. Harris.

Fayetteville Fire Co.—James McCrae, E. L. Pool.

Salem Rough and Ready—Ralph Severs, Gaston Madison.
Winston Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 2—W. B. Little, J. M. Pey-
n.
Asheville Hose Co. No. 1.—Jesse M. Patten.
Raleigh Rescue Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1.—Charles B. Park,
S. Correll.
Henderson Nelson Hose Co.—Bernard S. Aronson, Morris J.
Neill.
Kinston Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1.—H. W. McKinne, E. B.
hitehurst.
Durham Hose Co. No. 2.—C. J. Markham, J. J. Caudle.
Durham Hose Company No. 1.—D. C. Christian, G. E. Lougee.
Asheville Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1.—Geo. E. Brown.
Winston Steamer Co No 1.—John H. Holmes, R. D. Pegram.
New Bern Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1.—L. A. Taylor, W. T.
inson.
Concord Hose Reel Co. No. 1.—Marshall Mabry, Frank Brum-
.
Wilmington Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1.—Woodus Kellum.
Greensboro West End Hose Co. No. 5.—W. B. Hunt, J. H. Price.
Wilmington Engine Co. No. 2.—J. B. King, W. A. Cannady.
Goldsboro Electric Reel Co.—Marcus Jones, Henry Hinson.
Goldsboro Fire Co. No. 1.—Lenord Weil, R. A. Creech.
Salem Eagle Hose Co. No. 4.—F. H. Lewis, W. W. Kimel.
Winston Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1.—Chas. M. Norfleet, H. L.
ll.
Salisbury Hook & Lakder Co. No. 2.—J. W. Glover, D. L. Sides.
Fayetteville Chicora Steam Fire Engine Co.—J. D. McNeill, H.
Atkinson.
Wilmington Chemical Company No. 1.—P. M. Fick, R. A. Crom-
l.
Wilmington Hose Company No. 3.—J. L. White, L. Friemuth.
Goldsboro Eclipse Steam Fire Co.—John L. Hogue, Ben. Hilb.
Greensboro Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1.—J. T. Cox, C. L. Burton.
Greensboro Eagle Hose Co. No 7.—E. L. Clarke, D. E. Sergeant.
Greensboro Steam Fire Engine Co.—J. T. Abbott, W. W. Bain.
Salisbury Hose Co. No. 1.—C. H. Swink, W. B. Howard.
Washington Phoenix H. and L. Co. No. 1.—W. H. McDevett. W.
Miles.
Washington Ocean Fire Co.—J. B. Sparrow, L. T. Steward.
Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1.—H. E. Royall, J. C.
Sides.
Tarboro Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1.—John A. Weddell, T. B.
Roberts.

Elizabeth City Fire Department—L. L. Williams, J. C. Co mander.

Greensboro Southside Hose Co. No. 4.—R. D. Douglass, J. Hen Phipps.

Raleigh Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1.—W. W. Parrish, J. A. Tu ner.

Raleigh Capitol Hose Co. No. 3.—W. J. Andrews, C. H. Betts

Wilmington Engine Co, No. 1.—B. R. Russell, J. C. Bowden.

Southern Pines Fire Department—A. M. Clark.

Charlotte Fire Co. No. 1.—J. M. Davidson, W. L. Devereux.

Charlotte Pioneer Co. No. 2.—W. R. Walker, R. A. Canada.

Spencer Fire Department—W. R. Linton, J. H. Harris.

It has been moved and seconded that the report credentials be adopted.

MR. MCNEILL:

Secretary please make a note of the credentials.

MR. MCNEILL:

Chair will state that on all questions coming before this bo the votes, when taken by Company, every Company is entitled two votes on every question. Every Chief is entitled to one vot every Assistant Chief to one vote, Superintendent of Fire Ala one vote, so on all questions coming up to be decided by the Co vention, that is the basis upon which you vote, gives two to ea Company and one of these others. if there are any, Superintende of Water Works, members of this Convention, they are entitled vote.

The next matter of business will be reading the minutes of th previous meeting. Mr. Secretary, how many have you got there

MR. VONGLAHN:

Two or three.

MR. MCNEILL:

Chair will state that if there is anything in them now that nee correction from the last minutes, you had better not adopt the until you know what you are doing.

I move that the minutes be postponed until to-night and the at that time, every delegate will have had an opportunity to rea the minutes. and if there are no objections, adopt them as whole.——

MR. MCNEILL :

Moved and seconded that the reading be dispensed with until -night. All in favor say I. Carried.

MR. MCNEILL :

The next important business is the collection of dues. Any-ing to report Mr. Secretary?

MR. VONGLAHN :

Several came in today.

MR. MCNEILL :

What sort of report have you to make upon that.

MR. VONGLAHN :

I have my written report.

MR. MCNEILL :

Are all past dues collected ?

MR. VONGLAHN :

Yes sir.

MR. MCNEILL :

Secretary reports dues all paid up at present, and the chair ll state that if there are any new Companies who desire to en-ll themselves, the Secretary is at their service whenever they sire to meet him All regular dues seem to be paid up, which aves the Association in a remarkably good standing.

MR. MCNEILL :

The next regular thing is the reports of Officers and Commit-ttees. Under that head is the report of the President, Secre-ry, Treasurer, Statistician. Under that head the report of the esident will be next in order.

President McNeill read his Annual Report as follows :

ANNUAL REPORT—July 22nd, 1902.

THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION :

NTLEMEN :

Another year has been added to the history of our Association

since our last meeting at Charlottee and it becomes again my dut as your Chief Executive Official to render to you my Annual Repor of all transactions connected with the material interests of you organization---during the past fiscal year.

It is with much gratification that I report to you a marked in crease of interest on the part of the general public, on the impor tant question of fire prevention and fire protection, as well as in th material advancement of our associated interests, as evidenced b the formation of new departments, where hitherto none existed.

This is largely due to our organized efforts to show to all of th property owners in North Carolina the importance of having a organized system of fire service in every hamlet in the State, a well as in the larger towns and cities I have made extraordinar efforts this year to have every incorporated town in the State t send a representative to this Convention, in order that they migh by personal cantact with us be inspired with some of the enthusi asm of our membership and return home determined to join us i the beneficial work of decreasing the annual loss of property, an sometimes of life, in our good State, and thereby also save to ou people at least a part of the large annual sum of money that is no paid to Insurance Companies as premiums, that under more favo able conditions our people would and could afford to carry them selves.

I hope that this especial feature of this Convention will resu in much benefit to our organization,

The well known maxim that in "Union there is strength," ap plies with eminent significance in this matter. The knowledge and practical experience of one hundred men is worth much more than the wisdom of any one man, therefore let it be understood by our new friends and members that the experience of all of u who have been in harness for years. is theirs for the simple asking of the same.

As will be remembered by those who were present and by further reference to the minutes of the last Convention—it was decreed at that time that the Convention and Tournament for 1902 should have been held in the City of Asheville. But for good and sufficient reasons satisfactory to our friends in Asheville and to your Executive Committee, it was afterwards decided that the best interests of the Association would be secured by accepting the invitation of the citizens and firemen of Raleigh, which was so graciously renewed to us in the early Spring of this year.

We are to be congratulated, therefore, my friends and comrades upon being the guests of the hospitable people of this, our Capitol City. When we met here last, in 1889, we represented but

nall part of the membership that is now enrolled in our organ-
tion. Our visit then left nothing but pleasant memories, and I
st and believe that on this occasion, that we will so favorably
ress our hosts with our manhood and general deportment that
y will feel that while honoring us, they will also have honor-
themselves in entertaining our honored organization.

A great many people think that our annual gatherings are
ply for the purpose of pleasure and profit to be derived from
tournament. While this feature of our annual meeting is al-
ys one of pleasure and interest to the participants and the gen-
l public, it must always be remembered that the true purposes
ur Convention is one of very much importance to every man,
man and child in the State. We are here in Convention to com-
e notes, to exchange views and discuss subjects of importance
ur profession and to the interests of the general public.

In these days of rapid advancement in all branches of our daily
it is necessary for us to sleep with one eye open to keep up
h the procession, and in touch with everything up to date in
profession.

It is very gratifying for the members of this Association to
w that though during the past year there has been an enor-
s loss of life and property from fire in other sections of our
ntry, and though there has been some heavy losses in our State,
t nearly all of those losses occurred in places whose neglect of
most ordinary precautions against so common a danger, made
m an easy prey to the devouring element, and also an object
on to other similar places, and to the necessity of their organ-
g a system of fire protection, and joining in with us in our ef-
s to prevent future catastrophies.

The citizens of our neighboring town of Clinton now fully rea-
the truth of the old saying that "an ounce of precaution is
th a pound of cure."

The record of the departments, members of our Association,
compare most favorably with any of the high priced paid de-
ments of our largest cities, and is an everlasting monument to
patriotism, skill and efficiency of our citizen membership, who
t fire, not for profit, nor glory, but from the noble impulses of
governed by the noblest emotions of a true manhood.

Since our last meeting I have audited and ordered paid fifty-two
ns against our Relief Fund, amounting to $2,038.00. For the de-
of these payments, I refer you to the accounts of our worthy
asurer. I have been compelled to turn down some applications
benefits, simply because the facts in the case did not justify me
dering same paid. If any member feels that he has not had
lute justice from my hands, I can only refer him to the Con-

vention assembled for further consideration and pledge him my b efforts to see justice done.

I will report your financial condition as in very good shape.

You have $1,761.44 to the credit of your Relief Fund, a $452.25 to the credit of your general fund, with no outstanding debtedness. Your business affairs have been honestly and squar conducted.

In order to add an additional interest to this meeting, I ha mailed a special invitation to every Mayor and Chairman of F Committee in the State to attend, meet with us and join in our liberations. I hope that many of them will attend, and thus sh their interest in a public matter that so vitally affects the ma rial interest of their constituents.

In conclusion my friends, let me again congratulate you upon your splendid organization, and let me further urge upon y all to allow nothing to dampen your ardor and diminish your int est in maintaining this Association. The work it is doing is beyo comparison, the most valuable to our people than any other ci organization, and it is only a question of time when this fact w be recognized by every property owner in North Carolina.

I thank you all most heartily for the support that you have e given me in helping to build up to our present high standa and I ask and urge upon you all to continue the same generous sistance to my successor, counselling the utmost harmony to deliberations, and wishing you all a pleasant, profitable and instr tive meeting.

Yours to command,

JAS. D. McNEILL, President.

(Applause.)

MR. McNEILL:

Now Gentlemen, I say nothing in this as I have in my last h dozen reports about the length of time I have served, because t goes to print, and I don't wish it to go out, that you have had o man serving you as I have.

The next report will be that of your Secretary. This is a bu ness matter in which you are all interested and the Convention w now please pay attention to the reading of the report of the S retary.

Secretary VonGlahn read his Annual Report as f lows:

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

WILMINGTON, N. C., July 21, 1902.

) THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

ENTLEMEN:

In making you this my annual report, I desire to congratulate e Association on the progress made during the year, having added ree new Companies from Southern Pines and one from Burling-n, and the reinstatement of Rocky Mount and Monroe. Our As-ciation is composed at present of 47 Companies, representing 24 partments as follows:

heville	2	Companies.
rlington	1	"
arlotte	3	"
ncord	1	"
rham	2	"
izabeth City	1	"
yetteville	2	"
ldsboro	3	"
eensboro	5	"
nderson	1	"
nston	1	"
nroe	1	"
w Berne	2	"
leigh	3	"
cky Mount	1	"
ncer	1	"
isbury	2	"
em	2	"
thern Pines	3	"
boro	1	"
lmington	5	"
lson	1	"
nston	3	"
shington	2	"

With a total of 678 members, also 23 Chiefs, 16 Assistant Chiefs a 1 Superintendent of Fire Alarm, making a grand total of 717 m nbers. I have collected during the year $569.50. for which I hold th Treasurer's receipt. I have drawn 30 Vouchers for disburse-m ts from the general fund, amounting to $693.76. I have also dr wn 54 Vouchers from the Benefit Fund, amounting to $2,328.00, as f ows:

1.	Jas. Harriss, Salisbury	$ 14 00
2.	Frank Brumbly, Concord	18 00
3.	Henry Coffey, Asheville	38 00
4.	Gaston Madison, Salem	8 00
5.	Chas. E. Case, New Bern	20 00
6.	L. L. Chamberlain, Durham	20 00
7.	W. P. Monroe, Wilmington	20 00
8.	L. Y. Cash, Durham	23 00
9.	Mrs. V. E. Westmoreland, Winston	332 00
10.	C. M. Beasley, Durham	10 00
11.	Augustus Brown, Asheville	52 00
12.	Jas. Winberg, Wilmington	62 00
13.	J. M. Patton, Asheville	52 00
14.	J. W. Young, Winston	154 00
15.	O. C. Russell, Concord	10 00
16.	Henry Coffey, Asheville	96 00
17.	J. M. Patton, Asheville	64 00
18.	R. A. Cromwell, Wilmington	14 00
19.	J. I. Bland, Wilmington	18 00
20.	H. E. Nissen, Salem	20 00
21.	J. L. White, Wilmington	34 00
22.	H. E. Royal, New Bern	20 00
23.	J. M. Kermon, Wilmington	14 00
24.	R. Y. Skeens, Greensboro	20 00
25.	Archie Marine, Wilmington	4 00
26.	Wm. Petree, Salem	6 00
27.	Jas. Linebach, Salem	17 00
28.	T. H. Bain, Goldsboro	15 00
29.	Max Cohn, Goldsboro	30 00
30.	Herman Weill, Goldsboro	10 00
31.	H. E. Royall, New Bern	9 00
32.	Herbert Land, New Bern	8 00
33.	C. J Markham, Durham	50 00
34.	D. E. Sargeant, Greensboro	28 00
35.	C. Schnibben, Wilmington	12 00
36.	T. C. Daniels, New Bern	20 00
37.	J. M. Bird, Kinston	90 00
38.	L. H. Lumsden, Raleigh	39 00
39.	J. W. Mangum, Raleigh	30 00
40.	Archie Marine, Wilmington	32 00
41.	H. E. Royall, New Bern	38 00
42.	Ben Hilb, Goldsboro,	57 00
43.	M. DeW. Stevenson, New Bern	10 00
44.	Charlie Sides, Salisbury	28 00
45.	Clay Armfield, Greensboro	26 00

. W. R. Walker, Charlotte	50 00
. M. M. Wallace, Charlotte	46 00
. H. E. Royall, New Bern	80 00
. J. A. Harriss, Durham	62 00
. W. H. Lewellyn, Durham	48 00
. T. A. Green Salary Treasurer	150 00
. W C. VonGlahn, Secretary, Printing Proceedings	140 00
. R. C. Whittington, Greensboro	60 00

Death has invaded our ranks and taken from us Bro. Westmore-l, of Winston, Theo. Price and John Julian.

In conclusion, I desire to thank each officer and member who it been my privilege to communicate with for their many courte-shown me during the year. And wishing the Association un-nded success in the years to come.

Respectfully,

W. C. VONGLAHN,
Secretary.

MR. MCNEILL:

Gentlemen you have heard the report of the Secretary: report lopted. Report of the Treasurer is now in order.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

RELIEF FUND.

ORT OF T. A. GREEN, TREASURER OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION:

Cr.	Dr.
24th, 1901, to balance on hand,	$2,175 84
29th, 1901, to cash received of State Treasurer B. R. Lacy, Esq., for State Appropriation	1,875 00
19, 1902, to cash for old voucher issued to R. S. Bowand and never paid	36 60
Total	$4,089 44

1902.						Cr.
By cash paid	5	Vouchers to	Firemen of	Asheville,	N. C.,	$302
" "	2	"	"	Charlotte,	"	96
" "	2	"	"	Concord,	"	28
" "	6	"	"	Durham,	"	213
" "	4	"	"	Goldsboro,	"	112
" "	4	"	"	Greensboro,	"	134
" "	4	"	"	Greensboro,	"	134
" "	1	"	"	Kinston,	"	90
" "	8	"	"	New Bern,	"	205
" "	2	"	"	Raleigh,	"	69
" "	4	"	"	Salem,	"	51
" "	2	"	"	Salisbury,	"	42
" "	3	"	"	Winston,	"	486
" "	9	"	"	Wilmington,	"	210
" "	1	" Treasurer's salary,			"	150
" "	1	" W. C. VonGlahn, Printing, &c.,			"	140
		Total paid out				2,328
July 22, 1902, to balance on hand						1,761
		Total				$4,089

Respectfully submitted,

T. A. GREEN,
Treasurer.

GENERAL FUND.

REPORT OF T. A. GREEN, TREASURER OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION:

To balance on hand July 26, 1901	$377
To cash received of Relief Fund	198
To cash received of W. C. VonGlahn, Secretary	569
	$1,146
Paid 30 vouchers amounting to	693
To balance on hand July 22, 1902	452

Respectfully submitted,

T. A. GREEN,
Treasurer.

MR. MCNEILL:

For the benefit of those who are new firemen and do not understand the difference between Relief Funds and General Funds, let me state that we have an annual fund from the State of North Ca

na that is derived from the special tax upon Insurance Com-
nies of $2,500.00 per annum, which the Legislature of 1891 gave
that of 1893 which followed, gave the colored Fire Association
e fourth of it, leaving us $1,875.00, which we receive. That fund
n only be used for the payment of sick and disabled firemen who
ve become so by virtue of their services. This year we have over
n that fund; we have, fortunately, a surplus to go upon, but the
uries of the past few months exceed that annual proportion from
e State. The General Fund is that derived from the general
mbership of the Associution, a per capita tax etc.

You will see from the report of the Treasurer that your busi-
ss affairs are in good condition, $1,700.00 ahead. In November you
l be entitled to $1,875.00, which put with $1,700.00. will be a
r amount to meet the sick and injury expenses during the next
elve months, so that I think it will be safe to say that in twelve
nths from now we will be as safe as we are now. Your general
nd is healthy and growing.

It is customary that it be looked after by a Committee. In all
ney dealings an Auditing Committee had best be taken.

Chair will appoint as an Auditing Committee, Vice President
, of Charlotte, Chief Clark, of Southern Pines and B. E. Teague,
l please take the accounts of those officers and report on them.

RALEIGH, N. C., July 22. 1902.

We, the Auditing Committee have carefully examined the
ks of Secretary W C. VonGlahn and Treasurer T. A. Green and
them correct and very neatly kept.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. ORR,
B. E. TEAGUE,
A. M. CLARKE.

MR. MCNEILL:

Have any other Committees to report? The report of the Sta-
ician is now in order:

NEW BERN, N. C., 1902.

THE PRESIDENT, OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION:

NTLEMEN:

I beg to submit to you this, my Annual Report, as Statistician
our Association. I mailed blanks to be filled to thirty depart-
nts and towns in the State, I have had filled and returned twen-
hree, leaving seven who I have not heard from. I would ask all
Chiefs who have failed to send in their reports, to do so as early
ossible—that they may appear in the proceedings of the Asso-
ion

DETAIL REPORT.

TOWNS HAVING ORGANIZED FIRE COMPANIES.

NAME OF TOWN.	Number Companies.		Number Firemen.	
	White.	Col'd.	White.	Col'd.
Elizabeth City	1	1	25	50
Fayetteville	2	.....	33	.....
Charlotte	2	1	30	25
Durham	2	1	38	17
Wilmington	5	.....	32	....
Salem	2	.....	42	.....
Tarboro	1	1	43	17
Greensboro	5	.....	82	..
Henderson	1	2	12	36
Goldsboro	4	.....	63	.....
Lumberton	3	.....	45	....
Concord	1	1	25	30
Salisbury	3	1	24	12
New Bern	2	2	120	64
La Grange	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rocky Mount	1	1	26	25
Kinston	.....	.....	.....	.....
Winston	.....	.....	.....	.....
Reidsville	.....	.....	.....	.....
Enfield	.....	.....	.....	.....
Spencer	3	30	.....	.....
Asheville	.....	.....	.....	.....
Raleigh	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wilson	.....	.....	.....	.....

TOWNS HAVING WATER WORKS:

NAME OF TOWN.	PRESSURE.	
	FIRE.	DOMESTIC.
ocky Mount	125	40
ew Bern	80 to 100	50
lisbury	70	45
ncord	75	40
mberton	45	45
ldsboro	65	45
nderson	75	50
eensboro	45	40
rboro	60	40
lem	.....	40
ilmington	100	40
rham	85 to 100	65
arlotte	85	45
yetteville	40	40
leigh	.....	.....
heville	.....	.....
encer	50	30
nston	.....	.....
nroe	.....	.....

TOWNS HAVING FIRE ALARMS.

General System.—New Bern, Goldsboro, Greensboro, Salem, lmington, Durham, Charlotte.

Telephone System.—Rocky Mount, Henderson, Elizabeth City.

Morehead City.—One hand engine, one (1) hose reel, 700 feet e. Use wells, 6 in number. One fire last year—loss $2,000.00.

LaGrange.—Bucket Company. Water supply, wells.

MR. MCNEILL:

I would like to call the attention of the members of the Fire- n's Association that it is very important that these annual nks be filled up. It is important that we should be able to show are the firemen in North Carolina, it is a valuable adjunct to work of the Association. It doesn't even cost two cents to make ply, and it is as little as they can do to return them, as the tistican reports they have not been returned. As I stated to before, and as our report shows the Legislature of 1901 passed Act requiring every one to make such a report, old firemen w its importance, and I can't understand how any community be so indifferent to its own interests; and let me ask you to more attention and be more interested in your Statistician's ort

MR. TAYLOR:

Mr. President, I think that there is a good many of the members of this Association who never see them and do not know what is to be filled out, and if they could get hold of a copy they could see the necessity of having them filled. If you would take one and read it over. it would show them what is to be filled in.

MR. MCNEILL:

The Statistician requests that I give a general idea of these blanks so you can see their importance.

MR. MCNEILL:

There being no Committees to report from the last meeting the Convention will proceed to further business under the head of miscellaneous business. The chair is willing to hear anything for the good of the order.

Mr. O'Neill, from Henderson:

Mr. President, in reference to the last general meeting, under the officers you will note that there are no addresses of any officers, first, second and third page (printed page) at all. I had occasion to write to some of the officers, and I had some trouble in finding out where they were, and I make a motion that hereafter the addresses of the officers be printed in the Journal.

MR. MCNEILL:

Moved and seconded that in the next copy of the proceedings of this Association, that residence and addresses of the officials of this Association be printed in the next proceedings with their names.

MR. GALES:

I want to make a motion, sir, that the chair appoint a committee to prepare a memorial to the Legislature, with regards to the making and enforcement of a law compelling public buildings to furnish buildings with fire escapes.

MR. MCNEILL:

Do you mean public buildings of all descriptions?

MR. GALES:

Yes sir, if they have more than one floor, you would not include a church unless the church had a second floor.

MR. MCNEILL:

That means City, State and National buildings?

MR. GALES:

Yes, sir.

MR MCNEILL:

Gentlemen, you have heard the motion; we must have ample e to consider the matter. I suspend the motion sir, that we ght consider it.

It is moved and seconded that the Committee will report to er session of the same Convention.

MR. MCNEILL:

It is necessary as far as possible for us to find out as well as can the number of apparatuses to come into the parade; it't take us long if you will let us know what apparatuses are e when we call the roll.

Will the Convention take up that question now?

Greensboro, what will it have?

One steam fire engine, two horse hose wagons, one hook and ler truck, 4 Companies and Chief's wagon.

Concord—1 hand reel, 1 Company.

Durham—2 hose wagons, 2 hand reel teams and 40 men.

Elizabeth City—1 engine and pair of horses.

Goldsboro—2 horse wagon Companies, 25 or 30 men.

Monroe—1 reel team, 13 men.

New Bern—1 engine, 1 hose wagon.

Spencer—1 reel, 22 men.

Salisbury—1 horse wagon, 2 horses.

Salem—1 reel team, 14 men.

Tarboro—1 reel team, 14 men.

Raleigh--2 two-horse hose wagons, hook and ladder truck, teamer, 2 reel teams.

Charlotte—1 steamer and 1 hand reel.

Rocky Mount—1 steamer.

Southern Pines--15 men.

One question we might as well decide now. The programme alls for the parade to form at 9 o'clock in the morning. If is too early or too late, or if the Convention desires to make a ge, now is the time to do it.

MR. MCNEILL:

t has been moved and seconded that the parade form accord- advertised programme at 9 o'clock.

Gentlemen, remember that you are firemen, that 9 o'cloc doesn't mean for you to be there at quarter past 9; but to be ther with your apparatus at 9. Those who are not there will be left.

Chief LUMSDEN:

They must enter the parade if they are not there at 9 o'cloc they are barred?

MR. MCNEILL:

All contestants must be in the parade, the rule of tourna ments are that all contestants must show in the parade.

Chief MADDRY:

Does that mean that horses who enter the parade must ap pear too?

MR. MCNEILL:

No, sir.

MR. MCNEILL:

Vice President Orr will please take the chair while Mr. Dou lass and I arrange a programme; just as soon as he and I arran the programme, I will read it out to the Convention.

MR. DOUGLASS:

I have a matter to bring up before the Association, in which am interested, and that is the interpretation of the rules. I mak a motion that the meaning of the rule in regard to quick steamin as published on pages 83 and 84, is that water shall be thrown co tinuously for five minutes over the 50 foot line.

I will read the rule as published:

QUICK STEAM FROM START TO FINISH:

TWO ENTRIES REQUIRED.

Engine to come to starting point hitched up. To run 200 yard Take suction, attach hose and throw water 50 feet from nozz through not less than 98 feet of hose:

Time of fireing engine optional after signal to start is give Driver, engineer and stroker to ride on engine. Hose wagon t follow with not more than six men exclusive of driver. Time to l taken from starting signal until water goes over the 50-foot lin Quantity and quality of fuel optional.

QUICK STEAM—TWO TO ENTER.

Steamer to come to cistern empty and cold; to be filled with ld water until the engineer running the engine says "stop"; fuel be furnished by the judges, and must be the same as fired with case of fire (either wood or coal and not over one-half gallon of cohol or oil.) Time to be taken from pistol shot, and to throw ater 50 feet, through not less than 48 feet of hose. That the ack on engines in all contests from this time forward shall not xceed two feet, and shall throw water continuously for five minutes fter the water has been thrown over the 50 feet line.

DISTANCE—TWO TO ENTER.

Steamer throwing water the greatest distance; with not over 0 pounds of steam, through not less than 48 feet of hose, size of ozzle optional.

The steam gauge of each engine to be tested by all competing gineers prior to contest.

I understand there is some controversy in regard to that rule: at is that water should be thrown continuously after it has been rown over 50 foot line for five minutes, or whether for an in-ant. I want a motion to be passed that when you have thrown ater over that line, you must continue to throw it over that line r five minutes. As Association knows, years before in some of e quick steaming contests, the water was merely thrown over the foot line. But the wording of the rule makes it to some extent ambiguous, whether it must be continued to be thrown over the 50 ot line, or just to go out of the nozzle over the 50 feet line.

My meaning then, that it must be thrown continuously for five nutes over 50 feet line.

MR. ———

That was practised last year in Charlotte and it was agreed on that water should be continued to be thrown over the 50 foot e.

MR. DOUGLASS:

The reason I brought this up is that I am informed that some ople contested otherwise, I am told that some of the contestents ntest otherwise, and I was asked by one of the contestants to ing it up, and it is on that account that I bring it up.

MR. TAYLOR, of New Bern:

I do not think that affects anybody else but New Bern, and we ended to throw it over the 50 feet mark. It does not affect any

other engine in the State, and we understand perfectly well that i is to go over there for five minutes.

MR. VONGLAHN:

That amendment was offered in writing and it is in the pro ceedings just as it was offered. Mr. Douglass, will you state you motion again.

Is the contention that water should be thrown for five minute over the 50 foot line. Why not amend that rule, and strike out tha part?

MR. DOUGLASS:

All of the last two lines after the words "exceed two feet should be stricken out, and in lieu thereof, should be inserted "an throw water over the 50 foot line continuously for five minutes."

President:

All in favor of adopting this change of rule, signify by sayin "I." Carried.

Vice-President ORR:

I want to read to you the order of formation to-morrow, so yo can explain to your comrades and can carry it out.

You will meet on Fayetteville Street, the afternoon papers wi give you the formation.

1. Platoon of Police, Chief Marshal, Apparatuses, Chief Fir men, Governor Aycock and State Officials, Music, Greensboro Fir Department, then Concord Fire Department, Rocky Mount, South ern Pines, Durham and Spencer, Elizabeth City, Charlotte Depar ment, Raleigh Department. The parade will fill the entire stree but you must meet promptly at 9 o'clock to take your place in lin it will be published in the papers, so you can get full informatio But you must be in a position to move at 9 o'clock.

Vice-President ORR:

Is the Finance Committee ready to report?

MR. CLARK:

MR. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN OF THE CONVENTION:

We, the Auditing Committee, have carefully examined th books of Secretary W. C. VonGlahn and Treasurer T. A. Green, an find them correct and very neatly kept.

Respectfully submitted.

W. S. ORR,
B. E. TEAGUE,
A. M. CLARK,
Committee.

It is moved, seconded and adopted that this report be cepted.

MR. MILLER :

There is nothing to do now but to go into the election of offi-rs for the ensuing year :

MR. WEIL :

I wish to speak a few words in regard to the subject of the Rule r Horse Reel Races.

MR. DAVIS, of Charlotte :

As I understand it, gentlemen, it has always been customary to ect officers at our night session. I move that we adjourn and elect r offieers to-night.

MR. CLARK :

I second the motion to adjourn.

President MCNEILL:

It has been moved and seconded that this Convention now ad-urn until to-night

MR. O'NEILL, of Henderson :

I rise to a point of order. This gentleman has the floor.

MR. STEVENS :

A motion to adjourn is always in order.
Motion to adjourn lost.

MR. WEIL :

In regard to the rule for Horse Reel Race, page 86 of the Pro-edings of 1901, it says : "Companies allowed the use of any four-eeled carriage or wagon, either one or two-horse, to carry not s than 350 feet standard two and one-half inch hose; carriage or gon to be weighed; weight for one horse not less than 1,200 unds, exclusive of driver and men; for two horses not less than 00 pounds, exclusive of driver and men; the driver, buttman and upling breaker, shall ride on carriage or wagon, horse or horses be standing hitched to hose carriage or wagon, and run 200 yards a hydrant, unreel not less than 288 feet of hose, break coupling l attach pipe and show water; water must show within 50 feet of 3 foot line: hose to be reeled on carriage or placed on wagon, con-

nected with three full threads. The plug must be closed at tl time of the Company starting, and cannot be opened until hose first started to be unreeled. Companies allowed five men in add tion to those who ride, and can be placed in such position as d sired. Time taken from first signal until water shows. If butt pipe blows off, Company shall be ruled out. and hose must be let g before the pressure is taken off."

My idea is that the rule be changed, and instead of "horse horses to be standing hitched to hose carriage or wagon," it sha be made to read "horse or horses to be standing hitched to ho carriage or wagon, and to be given a moving start of fifty yar behind the actual starting line, the starting line to be so locat as to be a two hundred yard run for horse to hydrant, where tl Company is to unreel.

"Time to be taken from the moment the front wheels or wag pass over starting line until water shows."

In advocating a change of this kind, it is just simply a nece sity upon the Convention is almost obvious. I do not wish to po as a moralist, neither am I a member of the Society for the Pr vention of Cruelty to Animals. But one thing is certain, it is a tr mendous strain upon the horses to haul from twelve hundred seventeen hundred pounds of dead weight. And besides that know only too well that we have lost some magnificent horses b this very thing. And why should we continue to have such a sta when we can simply change it to a running start, as suggeste which provides for the easy movement of the wagon 50 yards b fore the actual starting point is reached? It is located 200 yar from the hydrant, the time to be taken at the moment the fro wheels of the wagon pass over the starting line until water show

I am satisfied that such a start has actually the advantag In the first place, there will be no backward starts, as heretofor It has been very hard, I know, for the Secretary of the Conve tion to go on any basis, on account of the nervousness of tl horses, in bringing them to the exact spot. Besides that, whic is most important to us all, so many horses are strained by tl start as it now stands, that the resulting good of the race loos much of its volume by reason of the strained horses.

I have no personal interest at all in this matter, besides ge ting the law changed. There is no selfish motive at all. Our Co pany in former Tournaments have always had heavy horses a we still have heavy horses. My only motive in asking for th change is simply for humanity's sake. I feel that as much inte est as we take in the Tournament and glad as we are to conte with our friends in this way, and as great as has been the resulti efficiency of our Companies, I feel that unless that change is ma

will be debarred from coming to future Tournaments. I make appeal to all of you gentlemen to help me out in procuring this ange in our manner of starting.

President McNEILL :

Do you bring this up by way of a motion to change the rule to fty yards start.

MR. WEIL :

Yes, sir. The motion is that instead of the reading as it now s, horse or horses to be standing hitched to horse carriage or gon," that it be altered so as to read "horse or horses to be ched to horse carriage or wagon, and to be given a moving rt of 50 yards behind the actual starting line. The starting e to be so located as to be a 200 yard run for horse to hydrant, ere a Company is to unreal. Time taken from moment front eels of wagon pass over starting line until water shows." I ke that as a motion.

President McNEILL :

Let me make it as plain as I can, so that you will thoroughly erstand it. The rule as it now stands, requires horses in the e reel races to come to the starting point and to start from a nd still, to run 200 yards to a hydrant, etc. Now Mr. Weil's endment has changed all this rule, for that is what it will ount to. The rule will be that instead of starting from a stand it gives him 50 yards running start, you can start to it 50 yards ind, and you can go up to it at any gait you please until you to the starting point. It simply changes it from a standing fifty yards running start. As I understand it, you would not uled out if you started 25 yards or anything else. The fifty ds is not an absolute rule—it is optional with you, it is simply a ning start, and the real obligation of the rule is that the time ken from the time you start at the electric shot.

Question called for.

MR. ——— ———

Does this apply to this Tournament?

President McNEILL :

No sir, it does not apply to this occasion. They have all been ting the other way. It could only be made to apply to this rnament by unanimous consent of all the contestants.

MR. IRWIN, of Charlotte.

How are you going to get a start from an electric bell?

President McNEILL:

Simply as it passes over.

Chief IRWIN:

It will be all right for a one horse team, but a two horse tea will crack the bell before the front wheel gets there.

President McNEILL:

That is well taken. I have always felt that the starting of wagon by an electric bell was not the most sensible way. We hav never been in favor of doing it. We start our reel with a pist shot, and I think now it is the best to have it just as the wag passes that line. The only trouble is, suppose the pistol shou miss fire?

MR. WEIL:

I think that matter can be arranged by having the boar chalked after each race.

President McNEILL:

I do not think that would work.

MR. WEIL:

That is practically nothing, anyway.

President McNEILL:

The only question now is this—we have one rule which is alwa unchangeable, that under no circumstances a second trial will b allowed. Now all these details had better be fixed before the Tou nament is gone into, because that pistol might fail to fire, and would not be a start. These are things that ought to be settl before you go into the race.

MR. DOUGLASS:

I want a ruling from the Chair—if that amendment is carrie will it be operative in this Tournament?

President McNEILL:

No sir, it can only be operative at this Tournament by unan mous consent of all the contestants.

MR. CLARK :

As I understand this motion, it simply increases the distance of e race to 500 yards?

President MCNEILL :

No sir, it simply allows you to pass the starting point in motion stead of standing still.

MR. CLARK:

The competitors will be in a line?

President MCNEILL:

No, they run one at a time against time. It is a question ether I stand still and jump or run and jump.

MR. ANDREWS, of Raleigh :

I want to say that the matter of starting can be readily ar-ıged by making the start large enough, so as to start when the ses front hoofs touch that point instead of starting when the eels touch it. It would amount to the same thing.

MR. JULIAN :

It seems to me that the proposition of the gentleman from ldsboro is very fair, because it gives every one an opportunity take advantage of that start. If he does not want to do so, he ı go right at the jump. It is very fair—everybody has the same ınce.

MR. GALES, of Winston:

I move to lay the whole thing on the table.

President MCNEILL :

The question before the house is, first, shall the amendment Mr. Weil be adopted. That has been amended by a motion m the gentleman from Winston to put the whole thing on the le. That comes up first. Motion lost.

Roll call to decide on adopting the amendment of Mr. eil called for.

President MCNEILL :

Recollect that each company is entitled to cast two votes, ry chief one vote, every assistant chief one vote, every super-ndent of fire alarm one vote and every superintendent of water ks one vote.

Chief Schnibben, of Wilmington, asks that the amendment proposed by Mr. Weil be read to the house.

President McNeill read the amendment over again to the Convention.

President McNeill:

The question to be voted on now is to whether that is to be tabled or not. Those in favor of tabling will say aye, those in favor of the change, no.

Mr. Andrews, of Raleigh:

The motion to table the amendment of the gentleman from Goldsboro has already been lost.

President McNeill:

I understand the Convention to be dissatisfied with the decision of the Chair, in which I said the motion was lost, and regarding it in that light, I thought I would re-take the vote, so that they may all understand that the question to be voted upon is as to whether to table the amendment or not. In a motion to table a vote of no means not to table—in other words, a vote of no is really in favor of Mr. Weil.

Mr. Stevens:

Mr. Chairman, I am not familiar with the rules of the Superintendent of Water Works and of Fire Alarms voting two votes. I am a delegate, and Mr. Armfield, another delegate, had to go out for a few minutes, and asked me to vote in his stead. I wish to ask whether I can do so or not.

President McNeill:

You cannot vote by proxy. This Convention has already decided that a man has to be here in order to vote.

The Secretary announced the result of the roll call as 38 ayes and 67 noes.

Question called for.

President McNeill:

Are you ready for the original motion?

Secretary VonGlahn:

I would suggest that the gentleman put it in writing and lay it on the Secretary's desk.

MR. WEIL:

The amendment proposed reads as follows:

"Horse or horses to be hitched to hose, carriage or wagon, and be given a moving start of 50 yards behind the actual starting ıe; the starting line to be located so as to be a 200 yards run for rse to hydrant, where Company is to unreel. Time taken from ɔment front wheels of wagon pass over starting line until water ows." As to how it will be taken is left to the Convention."

The roll was called and motion carried.

MR. MADDRY:

I have a motion I wish to make in regard to that rule on page in regard to horse reel races. I move to amend it by inserting ter the words "288 foot line" in line 12, the words "through not ss than 288 feet of hose." That said rule be further amended by ding thereto: "The hose through which water is thrown to be ɜasured after water is shut off and before hose is disconnected or ɔved from track." The reason I make this motion is that the ɜaning of this rule in line 12 is very indistint. It says that you all unreel 288 feet hose, break coupling and show water, but it es not say plainly what you shall show. I ask this more as an in-ɜretation than anything else, and I believe it best that the hose measured before moving from the track. If you measure it after is on the track, there is no chance for any conflict to come up as the length of the hose.

President McNEILL:

You have heard the movement by Mr. Maddry, of Durham.

MR. WEIL:

I would like to second Mr. Maddry's motion. Motion carried.

MR. LUMSDEN, of Raleigh:

Will that rule apply to this Tournament? Can we make it apply making it unanimous?

President McNEILL:

I will state that it will not. None of the other rules that have ɜn changed apply to this Tournament.

MR. MADDRY:

I ask that the hose be measured on the track after attaching hydrant.

President McNeill :

Is that made as a motion?

Mr. Maddry:

Yes sir.

President McNeill :

Do you realize what it means?

Mr. Maddry :

Yes sir.

President McNeill :

Are you going to measure the hose after the race is run?

Mr. Maddry:

Yes sir. To explain, I just want the hose measured after tl race instead of before. You have not got to measure it but o time. You can get a tape line and measure just as quick after before. That is all there is about it.

M. Stevens:

I move to reconsider.

President McNeill :

The Secretary will please read the motion that has been passe

The Secretary read as follows :

That rule on page 86 in regard to horse reel race be amend by inserting after the words "288 foot line" in line 12, the wor "through not less than 288 feet of hose."

That said rule be further amended by adding thereto: "T hose through which water is thrown be measured after water shut off and before hose is disconnected or moved from track.

President McNeill :

Then I understand that rule would mean that if that hose shou measure after the race 287 feet and some over, it would be rul out? I want to understand just what you mean. You all und stand that the present rule was made to start that race wi seven sections of hose. That was the original intent of the ru It has been changed to six sections of hose, which means that it h been changed to 288 feet, by previous Conventions for the purp

making no allowance that should be made for the taking up of se or shortening. Now you propose to change that rule and let em start with what they please. They have to start with 350 et of hose in the wagon. You want them to start with 350 hose and you want them, when they have shown water, to throw their ater not less than 288 feet further, to be measured after the race over, with everything lying right there. That is the way you ve changed the rule.

MR. MADDRY:

Yes sir. I would like to ask if the amendment as it now stands, n apply to this Tournament ?

President MCNEILL :

Certainly not, except by unanimous consent of all the delegates.

MR. MADDRY:

I ask for a unanimous consent.

President MCNEILL :

If they are all here--do you know how many are going to contest?

MR. MADDRY:

The Secretary knows.

Secretary VONGLAHN :

No, I do not.

President MCNEILL :

You can do it to-morrow before the race is started. Every mpeting team will have a judge of its own selection for every ce.

MADDRY:

It is unanimous.

President MCNEILL :

It is unanimous in this Convention, but we do not know whether who are going to contest are in this Convention.

MR. MADDRY:

I do not know what your rule is, but it certainly could not be king from them any authority. It is only whether the measurent should be made before or after the race.

MR. DOUGLAS, of Greensboro :

Mr. Chairman : In connection with that rule, I would like f the Chair to make a ruling on the rule as it now stands. The re son I bring this up, is because I was one of the judges last year Charlotte, and we had some trouble over it. As the rule no stands, is it necessary to throw the water through 288 feet of a tual hose?

President MCNEILL :

Yes sir. As the rule now stands, it is.

MR. DOUGLAS :

Then we have to carry 350 feet, and throw the water not le than 288 feet, and the nozzle must be within 50 feet?

President MCNEILL :

Yes sir.

MR. MADDRY:

The rule does not say that now. It says that you should u reel that much.

President MCNEILL :

It cannot mean throw the water less than 288 feet, (reads ov rule on page 86.) Now it says in another section, "water mu show within 50 feet.

MR. O'NEAL :

I will vote no on this ordinance saying that the rule can unanimous consent be applied to the present Tournament.

I would like to ask attention to Rules on page 80. I want ask if the judges and time keepers have been selected, and if by whom?

President MCNEILL :

The Chair would answer your question by stating that eve competing Company in each race has the right to name a jud in that race—six companies, six judges; ten companies, ten judg and so on.

MR. O'NEAL:

Have they been selected?

President McNEILL :

No sir. And they will not be selected until the morning of the e. It has been the custom hitherto for the time keepers to be ointed. The President of the Association has been doing it, er the general rule.

MR. O'NEAL :

I cannot find that general rule.

President McNEILL :

I will show it to you in one moment.

MR. MADDRY:

I would like to ask if Mr. O'Neal has a right to vote? Hen-on has no real team, and they cannot vote at all.

President McNEILL :

On page 82, at bottom of page, section 11, that has reference e election of time keepers, it is as follows: "That the Asso-ion, at its meeting previous to the time such championship shall come off, shall elect three judges, one time keeper and whose duty it shall be to take charge of the race under the e rules and report the results to the Secretary as soon as the is over."

MR O'NEAL :

want to ask if hitherto we have been disobeying Rule 3. t is absolute. It says "the Captains of the competing teams select the judges and time keepers."

President McNEILL :

They have been selecting the judges every time, but they not been selecting the time keepers. They have too, because the time keepers have been appointed by the Association f, it has been by consent of these judges.

MR. MLLIER, of Concord :

want to call your attention to section 7, page 82, where it "All couplings used must be standard screw couplings, eight ads to the inch, and adapted to two and one-half inch fire ; the hose on each coupling not to be shorter than forty-eight " I understand that in this Tournament we are only to have reads to the inch.

President McNeill :

Are there any hose in the teams running six threads?

Mr. Miller :

What we consider the standard hose runs 8 inches. I have g it down here—and they run 5 or 6 to the inch.

President McNeill :

The standard of the United States runs 8 threads to the inc

Mr. Miller :

Yes, but we find that Raleigh here has only six to the inc All the hose companies are six to the inch.

President McNeill :

As I understand it, if the Raleigh team and the other ho teams have only 6 to the inch, as a matter of course rule No. could not be held in the State Championship race. But under th general rules, it is always understood that any department desi ing to contest in any town in which we are holding our Tourn ment can be furnished with couplings until the Tournament h been held This has always been customary.

Mr. Lumsden :

Yes sir, in every case. I think there has been six or eigh changed today, and any one that wants them changed, why the are changed for them.

President McNeill :

It is very unfortunate. I was one of the Chiefs in the Inte national Fire Association of all of the Chiefs in all the Unite States and Canada—and I have always advocated the adoption o a universal thread for all hose. But it is almost impossible to g it adopted. I have advocated it and others have advocated everywhere. A good many of them have only four threads to th inch, and some of them less than that, where they are using tw and three inch streams. I venture to say this is the only depar ment that has 6 to the inch—all the rest have eight.

Mr. Gales :

Winston has seven.

President McNeill :

Section 7 of course could not apply to a race in Raleigh. Tha however, would be immaterial. These rules apply merely t Championship Races.

MR. MILLER :

In section 9, on the same page, it says: "Snap, spring and un-oportioned couplings, or any attachment to couplings to assist breaking or making, barred." I remember last year I saw eeves in the butts and also in the nozzle. I want to know if that to be allowed.

President MCNEILL :

Sleeves are allowed in actual service.

MR. MILLER :

I have been in some of the Fire Tournaments of the State, but ave never seen any of them used by departments in fighting es.

President MCNEILL :

They have never been barred under any rules, because it is sim- a matter of open necessity in fire service. It is not a snap cou- ng, the thread coupling is there all the same. The sleeve is only service to assist in making them couple, you cannot fail to cou- with them. I do not believe this Convention will rule to bar sleeve coupling. However, that is a matter for the Conven- n. The Convention is sovereign.

MR. MILLER:

I am just asking for information. I make no motion in regard the matter.

President MCNEILL :

If left for the Chair to say, as a fireman and a man who has n participating in Tournaments and going to Tournaments for ny years, I should certainly not bar sleeves. It says "Snap, ing and unproportioned couplings, or any attachment to coup- gs to assist in breaking or making." Sleeves do not assist in aking. It prevents a cross thread, it is true.

The question of No. 9 has been brought up, gentlemen. Have any motions to make in connection with it?

MR. BRUMLEY :

I move we do not abide by the rule, and that section 9 be cken from the rule. If we do not abide by it, cut it out.

President MCNEILL :

If you strike out the whole of section 9, then you allow snap plings.

MR. MILLER :

I want to enter the protest of the judges, and as they will not vote on the matter, I do not think we ought to settle that matter here. I wanted to enter the protest of the judges to the rule either way, as to that matter, and the only thing I had to go by was section 9, "assist in breaking or making couplings." I think the sleeve assists in making that coupling, and if it did not, it would not be put in there.

President MCNEILL :

It is a question for the Convention.

MR. DELAMAR :

The Association is for the advancement of the Fire Departments, and my understanding of this sleeve is, it is an improvement on the fire apparatus, and if we can make an improvement, there is no reason why it should be barred from the race. If a sleeve will assist in making couplings in a race, it will assist in making couplings in a fire, and I think it ought to be allowed.

MR. SCALES :

I think if we adopt a sleeve, it would be a great improvement; and I think we had better adopt it.

MR. MOORE :

If we want to use that sleeve, we are not the only Company. But if they are not going to use it at all, let it be decided so we can practice without it.

President MCNEILL :

The Chair will state that it has been used in past Tournaments without objection.

MR. STEVENS :

I would like to ask this question—What is the understanding at fires with reference to these sleeves? Are they used? Do you make a practice of using it at fires? Is it some kind of device which is used, or is it some kind of device which is not used for occasions like this? Is it a practical improvement for the purpose of making the service more effective? If so, I can see no objection to it.

President McNEILL :

The Chair would answer your question by saying it is a practi- improvement, sir and is used by some and not by others. I be- ve that sooner or later a device of that sort will be used almost versally, but those who have not that device are simply answer- the same purpose, but at fires they are more likely to have a ead crossed without than with it. It is an improvement.

MR. STEVENS:

Well, I have no sleeves; but I cannot stand up here and defend Company and say because we have no sleeves that they ought to be used.

MR. ————, of Salisbury :

I will say that we will lend Concord a sleeve.

MR. BRUMLEY :

If we are going to have a rule like that, it will be an understood ng that every Company will use it. I am not angry about sleeves. we agree to use sleeves, I will consent, and we will use sleeves. will settle that question. We want to run this race by rule, l that rule says emphatically we are not to use them, and so we at a disadvantage. I want to enter a protest against it.

President McNEILL :

I want to suggest that the Chief saw it last year, and saw that protest was made, so if I had been in your place, I would have ged myself up and practiced with it, to put myself with the other s.

MR. BRUMLEY:

My motion is that sleeves be barred.

President McNEILL :

The question is in all future Tournaments that the use of a eve for the purpose of assisting in making couplings be barred.

President McNEILL :

The gentleman will please put his motion in writing.

MR. O'NEAL :

Could not we get over that objection if we amended that rule putting after the paragraph the words "except sleeves?"

MR. ORR, from Charlotte.

I am in favor of one and object to the other. I want them separate.

President MCNEILL:

The question is before the house as to the change in section 9 making it read "that all snap couplings or sleeves be barred." Motion lost.

MR. DOUGLAS:

I move that section 9 be amended by adding thereto: "Provided that sleeves are not such attachments as are referred to in this section."

President MCNEILL:

You have heard the motion from the gentleman from Greensboro, I think we had better let it alone. Motion lost.

MR. MADDRY:

It is now half-past five o'clock. I move that we adjourn.

President MCNEILL:

There is a great deal of work to do yet, and unless you have some special reason for adjourning, had not we better go on with it a little while longer?

MR. MADDRY:

Several of the teams want to go out on the track and race before it gets too dark.

MR. ORR, of Charlotte:

My team wishes to do the same.

It was moved, seconded and adopted, that the Convention adjourn to meet again that night at 8:30.

TUESDAY NIGHT.

The Convention was called to order by President McNeill at 8:30 o'clock:

President McNEAL:

I regret to see that while there are so many delegates in the ity today, there are so few attending our meeting. We are here oday simply for the matter of business, and it does seem to me that ne delegates elected to attend to the business of the Association ught to be here more promptly. To-morrow and next day we have wo whole days for fun. But today is set for business, and we can-ot do justice to ourselves or to the Association when we neglect ur business interests and hang around the streets without attend-ng to it. Pardon me for speaking so plainly, but I think we are eglecting our duty. I do not neglect my business and I do not ant you to neglect yours.

We were under the head of Miscellaneous Business when we ad-urned. Under that head, the Chair is ready to entertain anything iat is for the good of the Association.

The Chair itself will state that today his attention was called some rules that ought by rights to be among the rules of the ssociation, but as a matter of fact, they are not here. Through advertence, some of the rules that ought to come under the eading of General Rules were left out of our latest minutes On ige 64 of the minutes of the Convention held in Wilmington, the ie preceding 1901, you will find some rules that are not in the inutes of the Charlotte meeting. These come under the head of eneral Rules, and I think they ought to be incorporated right ter the other events on page 86 of the preceding meeting. These les read as follows:

GENERAL RULES.

All contestants will be required to take part in the parade, less excused for satisfactory reasons, same to be made in iting.

In no case will a second trial be allowed.

Each Company's run will be decided by lot.

Captains will select all judges on the morning of the contest. l competing Companies must furnish the judges with weight apparatus—to be weighed on city scales.

Companies wishing coupling—city standard, eight threads to e inch—will be furnished with the same on application to the ief of Fire Department.

Hose will be furnished on the day of contest, if desired.

No person will be allowed to enter any of the contests unless is a bona fide member of the Company with which he enters.

N. B.—Judges must be governed by the above Rules, as no nges will be allowed under any circumstances.

These have been rules governing the North Carolina State Firemen's Association since it was organized, and you will find that through some mistake, they have been left out, and they should be in our minutes. They were in the proceedings of the year before, and they should be incorporated in these rules, and something should be done now to amend these minutes, in order that they may be put in again, for they are the most important rules that the Association has.

Secretary VONGLAHN:

I will state that I cannot tell why those rules were left out. I was under the impression that they were in there, but I see I was mistaken. I move, as Secretary of the Association, that they be incorporated in the 1901 proceedings.

It was moved, seconded and adopted that these General Rules that have been standard rules of the Association under the head of General Rules since its organization, be incorporated into the Minutes of the Convention of 1901, from which they were inadvertently omitted.

President MCNEILL:

The fact of the omission of these rules was called to my notice to-day, when I was asked about certain things. You saw me hunting all over the Minutes of 1901 for these particular rules. I knew they ought to be there, but I could not find them. I was at a loss how to answer questions as to eight threads to the inch hose and hose couplings, etc.

Is there anything else you can suggest under the head of Miscellaneous Business?

Now today when the matter of the approval of the Minutes was before the Convention, at the suggestion of Mr. Julian, the question was postponed until this evening's meeting. Are there any other corrections that any one has noticed that should be made to the Minutes of the meeting held in Charlotte in 1901?

MR O'NEAL, of Henderson:

On page 90, section 2, article 3, it reads "From the Firemen's Relief Fund of this Association, as follows: At the rate of two dollars ($2.00) while totally unable to attend to his ordinary business. Now should not the words "per day" be inserted after the words "two dollars," making it read "At the rate of two dollars per day while totally unable to attend to his ordinary business?"

President McNEILL :

That would be all right, sir. If you will read further down, wever, you will find "but when partially disabled, may receive .00 per day, etc " The words "per day " are put down there in-ead of after the words "two dollars." Of course the only infer-ce will be two dollars per day, because it says lower down, one llar per day when partially disabled. Still, you are right in pressing it in plain English.

MR. O'NEAL :

And on page 93, article 2, section 1, it reads as follows : "Each mpany shall pay a membership fee of five dollars and fifty cents r capita yearly thereafter in advance, for dues : * * " ere should be a period after the five dollars.

President McNEILL :

There should be a period after the words "five dollars." It ıld stop right there. That is the final fee, and the Company ver has to pay after that. That is a printers error, a mere ographical error, and should be corrected. It should read ach Company shall pay a membership fee of five dollars." And n start again, "And fifty cents per capita yearly thereafter,"

I am glad to see that some of our members are so careful eading the Minutes I wish every member of the Association l done the same thing. Please, Mr. Secretary, make a note of se corrections and see that they are changed.

If there is any information that any of our new members want onnection with the Association or membership of it? If so, older members of the Association will be only too glad to give o them.

MR. MADDRY, of Durham :

Before passing from the head of Miscellaneous Business, I ld like to call the attention of the Association to the rule gov-ng Horse Reel Races, on page 86. I would like to ask Mr. Pre-nt, that the rule be changed here, so that when these wagons weighed on the city scales previous to the race, they must get weighers certificate, and on that certificate must be shown, re the wagon is below the weight required and additional bal-has to be used, say a 4 foot piece of railroad iron weighing so h, it is to be named on the certificate, and after that, the es are to compare the wagons and the weights before being ched with this certificate.

President McNEILL :

Gentlemen, you have heard the suggestion of Mr. Maddry, tha where the wagons are light weights and ballast is necessary, tha the kind of ballast used shall be shown on the certificate of th weigher.

MR. MADDRY:

I would like to state further, Mr. Chairman, that I do not mak this suggestion on selfish grounds, I would like them to say that w have chunks of railroad iron and rocks, and I would like for the res to do the same thing.

President McNEILL :

You do not want to add that to the rule, Mr. Maddry?

MR. MADDRY :

Yes sir. I make this as a motion, and would like to get an e pression from the house.

You know yourself that there has been some dissatisfaction regard to the present system of weighing. And you know a fe years ago at a Tournament, that one team had to go back a weigh a second time, because it had a lot of water in the hose, think 200 pounds of water We would like to have all these thin remedied and corrected so as to be in readiness for the races.

MR. SWINK :

Do not you think it would be a good idea to weigh them bot before and after the races ?

President McNEILL :

That would make it interminable, and we would never ge through.

MR. SWINK :

We will never get through as it is.

President McNEILL :

I will state to the gentlemen that these minor details must n be made so much of, for instance, the weighing of the wagons bot before and after the races. We must remember that there is suc a thing as honesty even among the firemen of North Carolina.

MR. SWINK :

I do not mean to weigh them before. Let them look out for the agons before. The city scales will not charge them anything, I ppose.

President MCNEILL :

You weigh before when your hose is dry, and weigh after ards when the hose is wet, it will make a great big difference.

MR. SWINK :

I do not think anything of that. We will all practice to-morw and the hose will all be full of water anyway.

President MCNEILL :

I think, Mr. Member from Salisbury, that if you will fix your ight before your race, that you have done all that can be reasably expected. If you go on at this rate, you will be in for an terminable amount of trouble.

I think this is what Chief Maddry wants. "Carriage and wagon be weighed. Weight for one horse not less than 1,200 pounds clusive of driver and men; and ballast that may be added to be ecified upon the certificate of the city weigher. That is, the balst is to be certified to specifically by the city weigher.

This motion was seconded by Mr. Swink, of Salisbury, d adopted by the Convention.

President MCNEILL :

Make a minute of that rule. That rule goes into effect in all ture Tournaments. It could only go into effect at this Tournaent by unanimous consent. Each of the Companies meeting torrow has the naming of one of the judges. Their decisions on questions are final after the adjournment of this Convention. Of urse if they decide wrong, which we hope they will not, but if ey do, we cannot help it. They are the sole arbiters of that.

I will state that I am exceedingly interested in properly putg before the people of North Carolina through you and before ose who are present, the importance of the organization of fire partments throughout the State. I have asked to address you here to-night, the Hon. James R. Young, our Insurance Commisner, who is well versed in all matters connected with the value fire departments, the value to the people of efficient fire departnts through the medium of assistance to the Insurance Compa-

nies. And I ask Mr. Young to address the Convention now, and as you to give him your attention for a short time, while he addresse you on the subject. I have the honor to introduce to you the Hon James R. Young, Insurance Commissioner of North Carolina.

MR. YOUNG:

MR. PRESIDENT AND GENTLEMEN OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STAT FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION:

I thank you and your President for the courtesy and honor don me in asking me to address your Convention. I assure you that esteem it an honor, and it gives me great pleasure to stand befor a Convention of the Firemen of North Carolina This pleasure i enhanced by my admiration for you as a body, and my persona friendship for many of you. I have watched with peculiar interes and admiration the splendid and enthusiastic work of my frien your worthy President. As one who is in a position to know hi work, I wish to thank him in behalf of the State and her propert holders for the grand, unselfish work that he has done in buildin up the Firemen, the organization of the fire departments in Nort Carolina. He has done a fine work, and such a one as he could n have accomplished had he not had the able assistance of the Chie of Fire Departments and their men throughout the State. I a glad to meet you all here to-night, and hope to meet you personal while you are in the city.

This is a great country. It is a progressive and growing coun try. Its progress and upbuilding is indeed marvelous. From on end of the land to the other, we hear of great things being done, i the way of accumulating property and building large plants an factories To us, as North Carolinians, it is a matter of great pride that in this onward march our grand old State is keeping pace wit the most progressive of her sister States, and outstripping many i building up her resources and in increasing her wealth.

You do well to bear this in mind, because to you and your asso sociates is committed in a large measure, the preservation of prop erty and wealth. You must see that the fire fiend does not swee it from the face of the earth. You must ever keep your eyes open to those things which are likely to cause fires, and always be ready at a moment's notice—not caring for ease, comfort or pleasure—to spring forward and respond to the alarm of fire. You must go (and your record shows that you will go) to save the property and ofter the life of your neighbor, and in doing so, too often be compelled to risk your health, personal safety and even your life.

I will not attempt to make a speech, but will talk to you simply and plainly about "Our Insurance Laws and Your Relations Thereto" If you desire to ask any questions, do so.

In order that you may better understand and profit by what I y, I will divide my talk up under different heads. I know that I nnot tell you anything about fighting fire. You know more about it than I do. I only hope, by calling your attention to our laws, get you to examine them for yourself, learn fully your duties un- r them, and then I am sure that it will be your aim and pleasure obey them and thus add more honors to your already noble re- rd and doubly endear yourself to the good people of our State.

1. Insurance Department and Laws.—Our present Insurance ws were enacted in 1899, (Chap. 54). The office of Insurance nmission was established. This law is considered the best and st comprehensive Insurance Law upon the Statue Books of any er Southern State.

The Companies that come under this department are the life, , marine, accident, bonding and surety, fraternal orders and all estment, diamond, bond and like Companies. The work in re- d to them covers (1) their admission and licensure, (2) their su- vision, (3) collection of taxes of them. Again there is the law the investigation of all fires, (Chap. 50, Laws 1890), known in er States as "Fire Marshal Law." This law was amended by pter 387, Laws of 1901. Under this law, it is the duty of the rance Commissioner: (1) collect reports of all fires and pre- e statistics, (2) investigate all suspicious fires and have "fire s" prosecuted; (3) take steps to prevent fires by having prem- examined and by vigorous prosecutions.

2. Chiefs of Fire Departments.—Chapter 907, Laws 1901, es- ished in North Carolina, the office of Chief of Fire Depart- t prescribed his duties, and made it the duty of the authori- of the cities and towns of the State to elect him and provide compensation.

Under the law for the investigation of fires, it is his duty (1) xamine all fires occuring in his city or town, and to report to Insurance Commissioner, (2) to investigate all suspicious , get up the evidence and forward to the Insurance Commis- er; (3) examine all premises in his city or town and have pro- e causes of fires removed.

3. Members of Fire Departments.—How can members of Fire rtments aid in this matter? They can render valuable and ent aid by backing up the Chief of the Fire Department (1) oking out at fires for the probable causes; (2) by looking out nd gathering evidence and spotting witnesses in suspicious ; (3) by taking note of dangerous premises and calling them e attention of their Chief.

Every fireman should be a detective so far as fires are con- ed, to prevent them and punish "burners."

4. Duties of Cities and Towns and Citizens.—Our Cities a Towns are vitally interested. Our citizens and property holde have much at stake in this matter. The idea that only insuran companies are interested and that property saved by firemen on inures to their benefit is untrue. This feeling has and is doi more to keep back your organization and retard the building of good fire departments in North Carolina than anything el Nothing does so much to keep a town from properly supporti their fire departments as this one idea. It is true that Insuran Companies are interested and have saved money by the work good fire departments, but where Insurance Companies save $ 000, the State, the country, the city or town and the proper holders save from $2,000 to $4,000 as a general thing. Every c and town should (1) have good building laws; (2) provide for a str inspection of premises; (3) have and properly equip a good f department according to their size: (4) always back up the wo of their fire departments with public opinion and hearty go will.

In conclusion, I thank you for your kind attention, and beg say that I am always ready to extend to you in this great wo every courtesy and aid. The work is a great and important o It is worthy of our best efforts.

I shall put forth every energy and not stop until the follow things are accomplished: (1). That every fire occurring in No Carolina is reported to the Insurance Department. (2). That suspicious fires are investigated and prosecuted. (3). That eve city and town of any importance in North Carolina has a good f department. (4). That such cities and towns have a good buildi law and enforce a law for the inspection of all premises.

Mr. President and gentlemen, these are great things. Th mean much for the growth and upbuilding of our State. Alone cannot hope to accomplish them, but with your kind aid and e cient help they will come.

MR. TAYLOR, of New Bern:

I would like to ask Mr. Young if he can give any advice to t New Bern Department. We have a Board of Aldermen there w say it is their prerogative to elect the Chief of the Fire Depa ment, and if we do not allow them to do this, then the Chief of t New Bern Department can get no pay—that they do not elect t Chief, and they do not pay anybody they do not elect. We do n feel that it is justice to us volunteer firemen to let somebody e elect our Chief. We think if we are not going to ask them for a money, we ought to have the privilege of electing our own Chi

ıd the City Council insist if they do not elect him and have the ›wer to discharge, that they have not the right to pay. And I ould like to ask if there is any way we could make them pay. I n not the Chief, but I have had the job on my hands, and I know ıat a man cannot afford to attend to it if he gets no pay for it.

MR. YOUNG:

If I was asked the question which was the best way out of that ouble, I would answer, to bear and forbear. I would suggest that ıe Board of Aldermen of the City of New Bern should have come here today and talked to the firemen—I would suggest if you can no better, that you see to the election of the Board of Alder- en of the city of New Bern, and have such Aldermen elected as ill elect the man you want. The law says where it is not fixed by ıe charter of the town, it shall be the duty of the Board of Alder- en of the town to fix the compensation of the Chief of the Fire epartment, and change the duties and compensation from time to me. I understand that the duties are prescribed in Chapter 58, ublic Laws of 1899.

MR. TAYLOR:

They elect a Chief every six months. It is a political office ›wn there, politics change every six months. I think we would ıther go without pay than let them elect our Chief.

MR. YOUNG:

I think if you would go to the Board of Aldermen and call their tention to this law, and say it is your duty to prescribe and pay you may emphasize that, and not say anything about the law giv- g them the power to elect.

MR. GREEN:

I understood you to say awhile ago that a Chief of a Fire De- ırtment had a right to condemn a building that he thought was a e trap. Where does he get the authority to interfere? If the hief comes up and says that a building is unsafe and ought not to e there, how can he order it to be pulled down?

MR. YOUNG:

I can only read you the law, Chapter 58, Laws of '99: "The ısurance Commissioner or the Chief of the Fire Department or ire Committee of the Board of Aldermen, shall have the right at l reasonable hours, for the purpose of examination, to enter into ıd upon all buildings and premises within their jurisdiction. When-

ever any of said officers shall find in any building or upon any premises combustible material or inflamable conditions dangerous to the safety of such building or premises, they shall order the same to be removed or remedied, and such order shall be forthwith complied with by the owners or occupant of said building or premises Provided, however, that if the said owner or occupant shall deem himself aggrieved by such order, he may within twenty-four hours appeal to the Insurance Commissioner, and the cause of the complaint shall be at once investigated by the direction of the latter and unless by his authority the order of the Fire Chief or Fire Committee above named is revoked, such order shall remain in force and be forthwith complied with by said owner or occupant. The Insurance Commissioner, Fire Chief or Fire Committee as aforesaid shall make an immediate investigation as to the presence of combustible material or the existence of inflamable conditions in any building or upon any premises under their jurisdiction upon complaint of any person having an interest in said buildings or premises or property adjacent thereto. Any owner or occupant of buildings or premises failing to comply with the orders of the authorities above specified shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten dollars nor more than fifty dollars for each day's neglect."

MR. GREEN:

That does not answer my question. That simply applies to combustible matter. I asked the question of the building that he might in his opinion, consider a fire trap.

MR. YOUNG:

It says positively that was dangerous to the premises, and that applies not only to the house itself, but to the surroundings: and if there is other property or any danger, the same thing applies, because the reason of the thing is that upon his premises he has something that is dangerous, not simply to himself, but to his neighbors as well.

MR. GREEN:

As I understand you to read the law, that simply applies to the combustible material and not to the building itself.

MR. YOUNG:

I doubt very much whether a Fire Chief would be justified in moving a total building. He could have it closed, or order it to be repaired, or anything of that kind that would put it in proper shape. I do not think he could take out the entire building, unless

came a menance to the surrounding property, and if it did, I
he could do that—the city authorities could certainly do it.
perfectly candid with you, I think this law goes further even
the law that is given to the city authorities.

President McNEILL :

will call attention to a case in my own town—a building on a
c street, dangerous to the public safety. Notice was given
or twice, and we had simply the front of the building taken
nd charged it up to the owner. It had caught fire three or
times through negligence, and it was right upon the street.

MR. GREEN :

t strikes me that in making a law, they should make them
and explicit, and give the Chiefs some authority. The law is
an enigma.

MR. YOUNG :

gives you about as much authority as it could give you under
ircumstances.

MR. BOYDEN, of Salisbury :

will state my ignorance at the outset.
While I have been a volunteer firemen all my life, what re-
s I expect to make will not consume more than a minute, and
brought forward by the suggestion of the Insurance Commis-
r.
strikes me that the proper relationship and standing in
Carolina between the firemen and the Commissioner of In-
ce and the insurance people, does not properly exist. I ap-
ate the remarks of the gentleman—he lays out the duty of
remen—the volunteer firemen who get nothing for their ser-
—he lays out your duty to you, and he tells you what your
is, but he says nothing of the duty of the insurance people of
Carolina. In my town we have got a fire department there
I am sorry to say, some months ago was in very bad condi-
It has been my effort, sir, and my motive to give it every ad-
ge, and yet sir, I have not been able to do hardly half that I
like to do for the firemen of my town. And as Mayor of my
am I to designate a man to go into every man's house, into
cellar and secret place, without a cent of remuneration. I
is Convention, is that what the Commissioner of Insurance
ts me to do as Mayor? I ask if it is fair, without any remu-
ion to give a man for this arduous task, this disagreeable

task? It is one that no man wants. I say if the law is not suf cient to reach this class of men, it ought to be amended by the Le islature, and that each and every man whose duty it is to prote our towns from fire should have proper and ample remuneration f his work. I am one who is willing, if necessary, to come down he and spend a month to see that these men get properly treated. am talking in the dark. I admitted when I got up that I was ign rant of this matter. I have got nobody in my town whom I ca make go and perform these duties. It is a voluntary matter, and is a disagreeable matter.

Now it strikes me, Mr. President, that I would like to ask h much has been subscribed by the insurance men of this town bring together this delegation of the honorable, splendid class men here today? I am making no reflection—but I say the prop feeling does not exist between the firemen and the insurance m You ask everything of us, you ask nothing of them.

Now I say if there is not a law to bring us together, the should be one, sir. These men should bear their portion, if it necessary, of the expense of protecting the towns against fi What are we business men struggling for, while insurance m stand off? I would like to have cheaper rates of insurance. we should have a proper man in each town to do this duty, h much would it reduce the rates of insurance in North Carolina? the insurance men want cheaper rates or not? The laboring ma the poor man, the business man wants it. I want it, and I say there is no law sufficient to enable us to reach these people, ought to have one passed. Now I ask you, Mr. President, how can get this thing? I mean no disrespect to any one. It is not m intention to be disrespectful to any class of men. But it strikes m that the balance is all on one side, and I think, if it is necessary, ought to meet here and appoint a committee—I am willing as May of Salisbury to appoint a Chief of Police there and a Chief of th Fire Department, and ask my board to pay them properly, and ought to be done all over North Carolina. But if there is not a uniformity, it will never be done. There is always some Mayor wh is afraid of a shadow, or afraid to appropriate $100 or $125 to brin this splended set of men to this Convention. And if so, they canno do it. I will do it as long as I am Mayor of Salisbury, and I do n care if there is no law or constitution about it. I will give the what they want. I will say to my firemen, make out your bill a send it to me, and it shall be paid.

President McNeill :

As one of the volunteer firemen of North Carolina, who h been in service since 1866, I want to thank Mayor Boyden mysel

r the appreciation that he, as City Father and as Mayor, has own for the firemen of the State. And I want to say in regard to e law that has been read, I had the honor as Senator, to introce that law and pass it, and my whole object was to provide comnsation for the very men you have reference to, and if you will ad the law you will see it says: And it shall be the duty of the oard of Aldermen and Commissioners in each city and town to ect such officer and to fix the term of his office, prescribe the dues and obligations and compensation of the Chief of the Fire Dertment and change the duties and compensation from time to me—on this, Mr. Mayor, you and I are exactly together.

MR. BOYDEN:

I ask you this question. I want to ask you how many Chiefs of re Departments are paid, and how much they are paid? That is I want to know, and I will bet you it is not enough to feed one ild.

MR. CLARK, of Southern Pines:

I have been Chief of the Fire Department for twelve years, and m paid the magnificent sum of fifty cents a month.

President MCNEILL:

Now gentlemen of the Convention, is not the thing very propy put before the house? And I will venture to say that where ief Clark gets fifty cents a month, Chief Schnibben, of Wilming- gets $100 per month. The Chief of the Raleigh Department, I lieve, gets $350 per year, $30 per month. There are some paid iefs—what I want and what you want, is for every Chief to reve compensation commensurate with his duties. Now these Inance Companies are beyond our reach by law, but they are not yond our reach through the service we can render to those who ep up the Insurance Companies. Take my own case, for instance, fore we had an efficient fire department, my mill property is lued at $12,000: I had to keep it insured for $10,000, because if it ght fire, it was bound to be gone. Now since we have our fire partment, I have it insured at $3,000, making a difference of $140 ween what I had to pay on the $10,000, at 2 per cent., $200, and at I now pay on the $3,000, $60, of $140 per year. If I should have pay 25 per cent., I would hire me a negro with a shot gun, and ke him sit there all the time, and carry my own insurance. The e is coming, gentlemen, when it is absolutely necessary for the perty owners in the State, that every town and hamlet and those o have departments, not only to increase the efficiency of the artments, but for all them to put in efficient fire systems for

those risks that if they cannot get a lower rate per thousand, they can so reduce the risk upon that rate that they can insure for that much less money, and be equally as well protected as they are now. That seems to me, Mr. Mayor, the only recompense that we have now, and I believe if we do carry out this law sufficiently throughout the State, that the Insurance Companies will find that instead of carrying so many hundreds of dollars of insurance, that the people will only be carrying half of that. And I will do anything I can, and use any influence with the Legislature I have, whether I am one of them or not, I will turn in with you and do anything I can on this line. I have spared no time or postage in trying to interest the Mayors and city authorities of every hamlet in North Carolina. I sent letters to 247 Mayors in the State, and I hoped to have more present than there are at this Convention. I appreciate your being here, sir, and I wish every Mayor in North Carolina was here with us to-night. If we could just enthuse them as we do you, we would be all right.

MR. BOYDEN :

Then I move that this Convention come out with no uncertain sound by legislation, that each Chief in every town in North Carolina be paid $1,000 or $1,200. Let it be cried all over North Carolina, and let every man whose duty it is to ferret out these miserable fires and protect the people of North Carolina be paid for his services. Let it come out in no uncertain sound, let the resolution be passed that this be done. If we do not start the ball it never will be done. I ask for legislation that be sent to every Mayor in North Carolina that these Chiefs be paid a compensation. It is the worst office in the world. He labored night and day, and he has got to ferret out all these things, and stick his nose where he is not wanted and is insulted. My God, let that man be paid for it !

MR. YOUNG :

MR. PRESIDENT AND GENTLEMEN :

I thank Mr. Boyden, the Mayor of Salisbury, for what he has said. It is right along the line of what I attempted to say, but he has emphasized things so much better than I could do. He has beaten me at it. I will go further than Mr. Boyden. I know it is the duty under the law, of the authorities of every city and town in North Carolina to pay their Chief of the Fire Department. I believe going further than that. I believe it is not only the duty, but it should be the privilege of the authorities, the Mayor and the Commissioners and the property owners in every city and town

North Carolina. I believe it is their duty and their privilege, d one that they owe to themselves, to their city and to the pro- ction of their property, that they shall not only pay their Chief Fire Department, but shey shall pay and keep up an efficient de- rtment in their town for the protection of their property. If it done by volunteers, then they should lose no occasion to give em the very best apparatus, to give them the very best means of hting fire, and extending to them every courtesy—in sending em to their Conventions, that they have in their power. I want is law discussed. There is nothing wrong with the law. The law for the protection of men and for the good of the State of North rolina and the citizens of the State. Discuss it and improve it the next Legislature, and you will find no one more ready to help u than myself.

MR. CLARK:

Mr. Chairman, I feel grateful for having met the Mayor of lisbury at this meeting. Forty-two years ago on the 4th day of ly, 1860, I was enrolled a member of the South Pennsylvania se Company in the City of Philadelphia, and I hitched on a reel d helped pull it, and I have been pulling it ever since. I want to l to the remarks of this Mayor about paying our firemen, that if u paid them one-fourth as much as you pay to the Insurance Com- nies for insuring your property, you conld not burn down a house. is has turned the current. I was going to vote for the next nvention to be held in Durham, but no sir! I am going to Salis- ry.

MR. DOUGLAS:

R. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN:

I just want to say that I am in accord with everything that Mr. yor of Salisbury has said, I want to add this to it, that while I m very much in favor of passing the legislation he proposes to ss, I think we have a weapon in our hands to enforce our rights, ich is very much more efficacious. This law does not make it so t the town authorities can pay their Chief if they want to do it. nakes it their plain, imperative duty—and while I may be mis- ken, yet I have given the question some investigation profession- y, and I think every lawyer will agree with me that under two three recent decisions of our Supreme Court, if any town council uses to do this they are indictable for a misdemeanor. And it ms to me that this is a powerful weapon in our hands. Mr. ung, are you agreed with me?

MR. YOUNG:

There is no question about their being bound to fix it at som thing.

MR. DOUGLASS:

This is a vital matter, and it seems to me we should see that th Commissioners do it. and if they do not do it, that the grand ju hear about it,

MR. WEBB, of Kinston:

I have been doing this work referred to myself, and it seems t me that it is involuntary servitude for these people, and that against the Constitution. And for the State to offer to make a set of men do this work without compensation, I do not think it in their power. And if the Chiefs refuse to do this work witho compensation, let them come up here before this Convention, a we will take steps to have them paid, according to Mr. Dougla suggestion. I think this would be the proper thing to do.

MR. BOYDEN:

I would like for you to appoint a committee for this matt and I would like for the committee to report to-morrow morning night, to prepare steps to be taken in this matter, and have it re edied. I wish to God I could pay every fireman in North Carolin for the brave service he does. And I will say this to you, I only p my Chief $25 per month, not enough to pay for a horse and bug to drive his sweetheart out. When I went in there, he was pa nothing, not a dollar. I would like you to appoint a committee two or three, that we may bring up this matter to-morrow next day, and see that it is being properly put forward, because we let it drop, every Mayor will take it that he can drop it if th are afraid of their shadow. And I agree with Mr. Douglas that should make the grand jury see to it if they are not paid. I wi they would jump on me and make me pay my Chief $100 a month.

President MCNEILL:

I appoint Mr. Boyden of Salisbury, Mr. Douglas of Greensbo and Mr. Clark of Southern Pines.

Now to show you gentlemen that I do not preach what I do n practice, I for eighteen odd years was Chief of the Fayettevil Fire Department, and I was Chief there before this law was passe The Chief gets a salary, but it is no big salary now, only $150 p year. But every volunteer fireman that answers the alarm in t

ity of Fayetteville, has a dollar put to his credit, amounting to 25 or $30 a year. It does not enable him to travel very much, but does send him to the Convention once a year, and let him come ut and have a good time. Your city fathers could well afford to do hat—when I have asked them to let your men come to the Con- ention, I have found as a rule that I have never been turned down, hen I could get a session together and see the Mayor and Board f Aldermen. One letter I wrote the Mayor of Monroe, showing hat I thought of it, caused the city to send her department here oday.

MR. DAY, of Tarboro :

I wish you would come to Tarboro and interview our Mayor and own authorities there.

President MCNEILL :

If I would go to see your Mayor, I believe that your expenses ould have been paid to this Tournament.

MR. DAY, of Tarboro :

I am ashamed to say that a few days ago, we have a little mili- ary company in our town, and we have a very good fire depart- ent. We have even had to buy our own apparatus. Some days go, the military company came up and asked for $100 to go to cean View, and the Board willingly gave it to them. I am one of he Board. The firemen came up and asked for the same amount. hey sat down and figured it would take about $38 to pay our rail- oad fare to Raleigh, and we got $38. I wish you would come and ut the case to our Town Council.

President MCNEILL :

I think we had better commence upon this particular member f the Council right now. He says he is a member of the Board. his is something gentlemen, that for the life of me I cannot un- erstand. It is, to a certain extent, a lack of education on the part f your Town Council upon that point. They are as good citizens I enture to say, as you and I are; but this matter has never been put efore them. It should be shown to them that you and your depart- ent have it in your power, and are actually saving to the city ousands of dollars worth of property while, the military company only to be called out in emergency and for parade. It is the duty f yourself and of every member of your department to impress pon your Board of Aldermen your importance. There is a way to ow them the importance that you are to them, and if I can be of

any service to you—and I tell you again, if I were to go there, you expenses would be paid—and if I can be of any service to you or t any other department in North Carolina, I am yours to command

MR. O'NEIL, of Henderson :

I would like to extend to you an invitation to Henderson. W have had to pay our own railroad fare and expenses while her Our company, we hope, will be here to-night.

President MCNEILL :

Mr. Young, I appoint you to go to your native town in this be half.

MR. YOUNG :

I will say this in behalf of them, that they are pretty hard t move, but they have recently invested in equipment of horses an wagons, etc. I reckon they did feel a little tight.

President MCNEILL :

It is true they have bought horses and wagons, not for the men, but for themselves, and to protect their own property. T horses and wagon would be of very little service to them were not for the men behind the guns, and these men we must look a ter. And I am satisfied if your people only had it properly p before them, they would see it as we do.

MR. YOUNG :

I know for one, I will be very glad I am a large tax payer the town and I am always ready to pay not only their expense but to pay them a salary for their services.

President MCNEILL :

I am sorry to say, and I want to be absolutely fair in this ma ter, that a great deal of it lies with us. As the Mayor of Kinst says, we are subjects of involuntary servitude. We are to blam for this ourselves, for our own lack of putting our case before th people. We have been content to stay down and be hewers wood and drawers of water. But let them furnish enough for to come to the Convention once a year, and we can enjoy just suc discussions as this.

MR. O'NEIL :

I would like to make an amendment of the stenographe notes, and singularize—Mr. Young, we have only one horse an one wagon in the town of 6,000 inhabitants. The wagon has n yet arrived.

MR. GALES, of Winston :

While we are on this subject, I see that the strength of this onvention and the strength of the officers of this Convention has one out in taking care of its fire departments. They are not oking out for the membership of the fire departments. Now ere is this Committee appointed, I believe, to draw up a resolu-on to pay the Chiefs properly, $1,000 per year. I do not think, r. Chairman, that our town ought to have to pay its Chief $1,000 r year We never will be able to come to a Convention or Tour-ment any more, because we go before our Board of Aldermen d ask them for $150 to pay our expenses, and they will donate 0 Now supposing this Convention—I do not think it takes into nsideration that if they pay the Chiefs for their services $1,000 r year, the volunteer who does the work will never get a cent, d I think the volunteer firemen as well as the Chiefs ought to be oked after.

President MCNEILL :

That is the basis of my remark awhile ago.

MR. TAYLOR :

I think there are others who do not get salaries.

In Greensboro we own our fire department, we own every horse d wagon in Greensboro, and we have never gotten an appropri-ion of one cent, and the fire department has never been paid one nt.

MR. O'NEIL :

And Greensboro is the greatest insurance town in the State.

MR. CLARK, of Southern Pines:

Mr. Chairman, I offer this resolution :

"Resolved That the North Carolina State Firemen's Associa-n desire to express our gratitude for the cordial invitation ex-nded to us by the people of Raleigh to hold our annual meeting their city, and also for the generous welcome and hospitable atment accorded us while in their midst by the officials, the fire npanies and all citizens, and assure them that our visit is a rce of pleasure now, and will be a most pleasant remembrance reafter.

R. D. DOUGLAS,
A. M. CLARK,
Committee."

President McNEILL:

I would suggest on account of the peculiar circumstances tha this resolution be adopted by a rising vote.

Resolution was adopted by a rising vote.

MR. DELAMAR:

Before we go any further, I move we give a rising vote o thanks to Mayor Boyden and Commissioner Young for their re marks here to-night.

This motion was carried by a rising vote.

President McNEILL:

We are now under the head of Miscellaneous Business.

MR. BOYDEN:

I just want to say that I thank the Convention very much, M President, for their appreciation of my efforts.

President McNEILL:

Is there anything else you would like to suggest for the go of the Association?

MR. YOUNG:

Mr. President, I thank you and the Convention for the resol tion you adopted just now. I will say to you that if I can ever of any service to you, I am at your service. My ideas were prob bly a little extreme. I think that every town and city in Nor Carolina ought to pay their Chief and the members of their fi department, according to their ability and to the amount of ta able property. I do not know when I have ever been more su prised than I have been by Chief Taylor, of Greensboro. The id of Greensboro not buying its fire apparatus! The truth is, ought to have a paid fire department. It is what the cities of t South will eventually come to. I again thank you gentlemen, a again state that if I can ever be of any service to you, I hope y will call on me.

MR. TAYLOR:

I want to say, Mr. Young, we just had an old horse that cou not work, and we bought him and paid the city $100 cash for hi and we have got him out here to work with. I want you to wo for us.

MR. DOUGLAS:

As one of the Committee, I take the privilege, and I know the her members of the Committee will concur with me, though I ve not had a chance to confer with them—I know the Committee ll be very glad to have Mr. Young meet with us, and give us his luable assistance in making our report.

There being no objection, it is agreed that Mr. Young shall eet with and assist the Committee.

President MCNEILL:

Gentlemen of the Convention, in order for us to fight fire effecally, it is necessary for us to have apparatus, and that of the ry best. I see here to-night a gentleman whose business it is sell us that apparatus—and I am going to talk shop enough to y that the shop which he represents is a good one—I see among Mr. Hebert, representing the Fire Fabric Hose Company. He a gentleman who is very interesting when he gets on his feet—d especially so when he tells you of the number of feet of hose u need. Mr. Hebert, I would be very glad for you to say a few rds to the Convention:

MR. HEBERT:

I am gratified to learn of the good feeling of the President todrs me, Unfortunately, however, to-night I am slightly fatied, and without my usual fund of good fellowship which I enjoy occasions of this kind. My business is that of a tramp strollg around the country without any particular direction, and my ry joy and pleasure in meeting with you gentlemen is combined th the desire simply in an ordinary way to see and learn the vs of fire departments, and thus enhance my value with the ple from whom I draw my yearly stipend.

In reference to the equipment of fire departments, I will say t I have had an immense amount of experience on different casions We have cities of every description, the obligations, eds and necessities of which I am able to fill. I am indebted to e Mayors and representative citizens of North Carolina for the istance they rendered me, when, in the halycon days of my th, I started out to learn the wiles and guiles of municipal corrations They made me cross successfully the first bridge that pproached. And I can look back now to the lovely avenues in ldsboro, where I first became initiated into the law and good vernment of the first class fire department of North Carolina. ey gave me a send off down the avenue of life through which I ve gone to the present day, and there is nothing in the world I

look back on with greater pleasure and gratification than to the meetings of this Association every year. And although I am a little out of my usual fund of good humor at this meeting of the Association, I will say it is the pleasantest occasion I have enjoyed in some time. And I want to say this, in connection with this symposium I am making to you: I travel over the State continually, selling hose and doing municipal work. I do nothing else. I go to the different Conventions, and enjoy them incidentally as I go along. And you will perhaps see that different conditions obtain in different places, where the intelligent and the strong meet together. I selling my supplies, I go to the municipal authorities—I go to them and suggest to them that they need 5,000 feet of hose for their fire department. The first fellow suggests that 500 feet will answer—then another one way off yonder in the corner, says no, 300 feet ought to do. And then they look to the Chief of the department and ask him how much will answer. The Chief just turns around and says he ought to have 2,000 feet. Then they ask me what is my candid opinion - I am always very frank about such matters, and I proceed to show them why they need 5,000 feet. We finally wind up by their buying 250 feet of 40 cents hose, and they want two or three years time at 5 per cent. on that. I get up and thank them for the trade. I say to them, Gentlemen, you have the hose, you have the money and you have the guaranty. If you need that, I will send it to you.

I am intimately connected with the fire departments of North Carolina, and I know of these things, and I think you expect better from me, and everything of that kind. It is simply a question for the leaders in this particular direction to bring home to the people the purely business character of commercial life, just the necessity of equipment and things of that kind. They have a very strong idea of duty—and I think the day will be born in the State of North Carolina, by the aid of this Association, when all the equipment and Chiefs and everything will be paid, and the condition of the departments in all the cities of the State will be very much improved. We will reach that coveted time, and I am very glad to say—and it is with no selfish motive—that I think it is coming in the near future. In connection with equipment, you can enthuse Chiefs and firemen, because this fire fighting matter is born in them—you are born a fire fighter just as you are born a poet and they should be furnished good equipment just as our soldiers are furnished implements of war. I want to express to the people of North Carolina my gratitude for what they have done for me, and what they have made for me in the way of success. And I want to say to you that you can command me under any circumstances and at any time and in any way that may be suggested to your minds.

Chief LUMSDEN, of Raleigh.

Mr. Hebert has been telling us of what the people of North arolina have done for him. Now let him tell us what he does for ıe people.

MR. HEBERT :

Gentlemen, I will tell you. You have been before a judge, I ppose, when the judge refused to admit certain evidence as being competent, but he says you can admit that just as a figure of eech. You write off for the celebrated patent medicine that ɔb Hanes sells, that costs $1.00 a bottle. Now when a person gets ld with the effect that beauty and the Tournament and everying of that kind has, he sometimes grows extravagant, and that ɜans specifically they want things the finest in the land, and they t the finest in the land. That is just like the services of the ɔrth Carolina Firemen's Association—their paraphernalia must commensurate with their services I will say that the Raleigh ıief has the finest equipment that ever was put on the breast of nan and warrior.

President MCNEILL :

If the object of this exchange of compliments between Mr. Hert and the Raleigh Chief is to call attention to the magnificent uipment displayed upon the shoulder of the latter, I think that ject has been obtained.

It is customary at these meetings to call for a report from each ganization as to its improvement during the year. If you wish the Secretary will call the roll.

MR. O'NEIL, of Henderson :

I move that we dispense with that.

It is moved, seconded and adopted that this will be ɔpensed with.

President MCNEILL :

The next order of business is the election of officers for the uing year. What is the wish of the Convention about this?

It is moved, seconded and adopted that the Convenn go into the election of officers for the ensuing year.

MR. JULIAN :

I move that all speeches be limited to three minutes.

It is moved, seconded and adopted that all speeches l be limited to one minute.

Chief TAYLOR :

I would like to make the nomination of one man—the be known man we have got, and this is Mr. James D. McNeill, of Fa etteville, for President.

President MCNEILL :

You have your President badly embarrassed.

It was moved, seconded and unanimously adopted th Mr. James D. McNeill be elected President of the Associ tion for the ensuing year.

MR. WEBB :

I want to ratify this election—and to say that I hope this ele tion will be made each year until we have to say "Poor Jim, he h gone to his last fire !"

President MCNEILL :

I hardly know how to thank you, gentlemen of the Convonti Were I to tell you that I do not appreciate it, I would be telli you a lie And were I to tell you that I in the least way solicit it or worked for it or wanted it, I would also be telling you a lie have served you for eight years, gentlemen; I have done my d by you as I saw it, I have tried to forward the interests of the sociation -I am willing to work here or anywhere you put me. have been a volunteer fireman for years, and I expect to remain o until "poor Jim" is dead, and can only ask you to give me your c tinued support for the next year as you have in the past, an sincerely hope that we may grow stronger and stronger each y until we do become the biggest, the greatest and the most ben cent organization in the entire State of North Carolina. That my mission and my aim. I have labored without ceasing to bri it up to its present high standard. But what I have done would h been of no avail, but for the noble support I have received fr every fireman in North Carolina. And it does my old heart g when I go through North Carolina, in every city, to see with w warm hearts they greet me, and do all in their power to m "Jimmie" have a good time while he is there. I appreciate tha I appreciate your kindness in the past—and I appreciate you all much that I am not going to take up any more of your time tell you about it.

MR. CLARK :

I desire to ask if when poor Jimmie is dead, he will be out fire business

MR. DOUGLAS :

I desire to place in nomination for First Vice President, Chief '. S. Orr, of Charlotte. I will say that Mr. Orr has served us very ›ly for two years as Second Vice President, and I know as a fact ıat last year in Charlotte they left everything to Chief Orr, and : not only did all the work, but I know as a fact, that he went ›wn in his own pocket to settle up for our enjoyment while there. e is a man we are all proud of.

MR. MADDRY, of Durham :

I desire to second the nomination of Mr. Orr.

MR. GALES :

I rise to nominate for First Vice President, Mr. H. L. Riggan, Winston.

MR. JULIAN:

I rise to nominate Mr. A. H. Boyden, of Salisbury, for First ice President.

MR. BOYDEN :

I rise to second the nomination of Chief Orr. I thank you, ntleman, for the honor you have done me, but Mr. Orr has own gray in the service of the Association, and I think gentle- en, he is the man to nominate.

The Convention then proceeded to vote for the First ice President, Mr. W. S. Orr, of Charlotte and Mr. H. L. iggan being the gentlemen nominated for the office.

Upon motion of Secretary VonGlahn, Messrs. R. D. ouglas. of Greensboro, and G. C. Gales, of Winston, were ›pointed tellers.

The roll was called by the Secretary, and Mr. Orr was ected.

It was moved, seconded and carried, that the election Mr. Orr be made unanimous.

President MCNEILL :

Mr. W. S Orr has been elected First Vice President of the As- ciation—and I desire to say to the Association, that if anything ıppens to Jimmie in the next twelve months, you have a man no will succeed me, and make a better man than I am.

MR. ORR:

Well, I cannot say anything more to the Firemen of Nortl Carolina than that I am very thankful to them for their vote, an I shall always endeavor to do my duty by them. If there is an service that it is in my power to render you, have only to call o me.

MR. SCHNIBBEN, of Wilmington:

I wish to place in nomination A. H. Boyden, of Salisbury. fo Second Vice President.

It is moved, seconded and carried, that the Secretar cast the unanimous vote of the Convention for A. H. Boy den for Second Vice President of the Association.

Secretary VONGLAHN:

I take great pleasure in casting ninety-three votes, th strength of this Convention, for Mr. Boyden for Second Vice Pre sident.

MR. BOYDEN:

I could not have been pleased more, gentlemen. Nothing cou have gratified me more than the compliment you have paid m to-night. I am a comparative stranger to almost every one i the house, but I want to say to you that my heart is with this o ganization. I am honestly and sincerely a friend to the firemer There is nothing that interests me so much, there is nothing have given so much attention to in my administration as the ac vancement of the firemen. I will say to you that there never wa an order given even in the Battle of Gettysburg, when the orde was given them to forward and was executed so promptly and va orously by the 26th North Carolina, that the firemen of North Ca olina when the bell taps are just as prompt and just as ready t comply with its summons as were the brave soldiers of the Confe eracy to comply with the order delivered by Burgwin to the 26t North Carolina. There is no man nobler than the firemen of Nort Carolina. Nothing deters him from his duty. You are alway ready, no matter what your vocation may be. When the bell tap for the alarm, it is the effort of every firemen and especially o every volunteer fireman of North Carolina to see how quickly yo can get to the place of danger, and fight with and destroy tha element which threatens the lives and property of your fellow cit izens.

I thank you gentlemen, for this high compliment. And I ask, it is not out of order, that I may present the name of Salisbury s the next place for the Convention—and it will be the mission f my administration to give you the best time that the firemen f North Carolina have ever had.

President McNEILL:

Now let me say, just by way of parenthesis, that if "Jimmie" nd "Willie" both die, the firemen of the State are safe.

You have still one very important officer, who has to keep the ecords of the respectibility and general deportment of the firen—the Secretary.

MR. KELLUM:

I wish to make the nomination of Mr. VonGlahn, who has filled is position so well and so faithfully. As we are re-electing the d officers, I now place in nomination Mr. W. C. VonGlahn, the esent occupant, for Secretary.

MR. DELAMAR:

I beg to second the nomination of Mr. VonGlahn.

President McNEILL:

It has been moved and seconded that the President of this nvention casts its vote for W. C. VonGlahn for Secretary for e ensuing twelve months, and there being no objection. I now k that 93 votes, the entire strength of this Convention be cast r W. C VonGlahn—another Willie.

MR. VONGLAHN:

All I can say to you, gentlemen, is that I thank you for the mpliment—I am like my friend, the President, who wanted his fice and he knew it—I wanted this job and I got it.

MR. CLARK, of Southern Pines:

I move that we administer the same medicine to Mr. Green at we have administered to the President and Secretary.

It was moved, seconded and adopted that the Secrery cast 93 votes, the entire strength of the Convention, r Mr. T. A. Green as Treasurer of this Organization for e ensuing twelve months.

President McNEILL :

We used to have gentlemen, one of the handsomest men i the State for our Treasurer. At that time he wore a beautifu flowing beard. I met him at the depot the other day and did no know him. I do not want to recognize him now. Call him befor you, and see the change he has wrought in himself in the las twelve months.

MR. GREEN :

Since our President is asked to recognize me, I do not believ I have anything to say to you, except to thank you for your vot The North Carolina Firemen's Association has got me hacked but I will get even with President McNeill for this some day.

President McNEILL :

The nomination of the Statistician is next in order.

MR. DAY, of Tarboro :

I want to place in nomination a man who I think will make u a good one. We have tried him and there is one thing sure, whe he sends his blanks to you, if you do not report, he will send second time, and he will keep on after you until he gets your re port—and the records show today that he got all but seven—M L. J. Taylor.

MR. KELLAM :

I came here today with the intention of introducing anothe gentleman for this nomination—but considering the circumstanc as it is, I desire to second the nomination of Mr. Taylor.

MR. SCHNIBBEN :

I vote that the Secretary cast the entire vote of the Conve tion for Mr. Taylor.

This motion being seconded and adopted, the Secre tary cast the entire strength of the Convention for Mr. I J. Taylor for Statistician during the coming year.

MR. TAYLOR :

I would like to thank you, gentlemen, for the honor you hav confered upon me. I can only promise to do in future as I hav done in the past. I will make my report complete, with your a sistance: without your assistance, it cannot be made complete. only ask you, as I have done before, when I send you the blanks

them out to the best of your ability: and if you do not fill the t, I will send a second, and if I have time before the meeting of Convention, I will send a third one, if I fail to get a report on second.

President McNeill :

NTLEMEN OF THE CONVENTION—

This closes the list of officers for the ensuing year. There is thing I wish to say to you. We have one Mayor in the Convenn to-night who voluntarily identifies himself with us. There is more young Mayor who is as progressive as most of the Mayors North Carolina are retrogressive. I would like to have him adss you—I have reference to Mayor George E. Hood, of Goldsboro.

Mr. Hood :

. PRESIDENT AND GENTLEMEN OF THE CONVENTION :

I can assure you it is a source of infinite pleasure to have the or and opportunity of attending for the first time an Associa- of this kind. It affords me a great deal of pleasure. As the inguished gentleman from Salisbury has referred to heroes here night. I believe we can find heroes in almost any circumstances ife, but among the truest and bravest heroes is the fireman who, hout compensation and without the hope of pay, rises from his and rushes out in the night to some building where the fire es cruelly and savagely in its deadly work, and jeopardizes his for duty. And, Mr. President, there is no higher ideal than t they conceive to be their duty—that of protecting the prop- of the people of the State. They fail, in a great many cities towns of the State to be appreciated as they ought to be. A per appreciation of this can only be incited in the minds of the ple of North Carolina by making them realize the value of the ices of the firemen. The sentiment existing in the towns and es of North Carolina will create a desire to help the brave fire- , we must educate the people up to this. Now in Goldsboro, as gentleman referred to here to-night, our Board of Aldermen usually liberal towards our fire department. They usually ask an appropriation, and they get it. But in relation to our Chief, pay our Chief $150 per year. That is not sufficient compensa- hardly, for the duties he has to perform, but this is what the rd of Alderman fix his salary at. Until the new law was enacted only paid him $50: but it was called to the attention of the rd, and we finally got the Board to see that it was their duty ncrease his compensation, and they did increase it $100. And I

believe with proper education, proper sentiment and instilling int the hearts and minds of the people this plan, by enabling them t appreciate the work that is being done by the firemen, that we ca educate the municipalities of North Carolina to encourage the not only with their means, but with their support. I thank yo gentlemen, for the honor you have conferred upon me, and I a glad to have had the opportunity of submitting these few remarl to you.

President McNeill:

I understand that the Mayor and Board of Aldermen of the Cit of Goldsboro made a liberal subscription to their firemen in ord that they might participate with their brethren here today. Ma their good example in that respect be emulated by the other c ties and towns of the State.

Mr. Clark:

I am glad to hear that they pay their Chief $150. It is just $1 more than I get.

Mr. O'Neal:

Cannot we rush through the rest of the business of this me ing? It is getting late.

Mr. Julian:

I move we fix the place of holding our next Tournament

President McNeill:

It has been moved and seconded that the Convention go in consideration of the place of holding our next Convention a Tournament. That reminds me of something—it has been a ve grave error to call this the 14th Annual Convention. This is real the 15th meeting. Pardon me for detaining you just one momer We have advertised here the 14th meeting, when really we ha made an error. This is really our 15th annual meeting.

We will proceed now upon deciding the question of the plac of holding the 16th Annual Convention of the North Carolina Sta Firemen's Association and Tournament

Mr. Clark:

I move to say we will get right off here, and say we will hold in Salisbury.

President McNEILL :

There being no objection, we will go into it first.

The following invitation from the citizens of Salisbury vas read to the Convention by the President :

"SALISBURY, N. C., July 21, 1902.

Ion. JAMES D. McNEILL,

'resident State Firemen's Association, and Executive Members thereof :

"GENTLEMEN—

"We, the undersigned, Board of Aldermen of the City of Salisury, N. C., do most respectfully request your honorable body to old its next meeting in our city. The hospitality of Salisbury will e wide open to you, and we will try to make it the best Tournaıent you have ever held.

T. H. VANDERFORD,
JOHN P. WEBER,
W. L. RANKIN,
GEO. W. WRIGHT,
M. A. SHANK,
JAS. D. HEILIG,
C. H. SWINK,
W. C. COUGHENOUR."

MR. JULIAN :

R. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN OF THE CONVENTION :

I have been commissioned by the citizens of Salisbury to come ›wn here to-night and extend an invitation to the Firemen of orth Carolina to hold their next Tournament in the City of Salisıry. We have no great promises or pledges to make. I can only ıy this to you. You have heard our Mayor to-night. He did not ant to be Mayor, but the firemen unanimously made him Mayor of ıe town without any pledge or hampering. We had never paid ır Chief any salary—we had never had any official fire department we never had a horse or a wagon in our town : but Mr. Boyden in s one year's administration has given to the people of Salisbury ıe of the very best fire departments in North Carolina. He has, the sacrifice of his own personal interests, gone where the firen have gone, not only to their Conventions, but he has gone to ıe fires at Salisbury, and he goes to them to help to fight e flames. I ask you to look at that magnet, and I think it ill direct you. Our people promise you the best prizes you have er had, and they promise you the extended hospitality of that

great old City of Salisbury. We want you to come to us, gentle men.

MR. MADDRY, of Durham :

MR. PRESIDENT AND GENTLEMEN OF THE ASSOCIATION--

I want, sir and gentlemen, to extend to this Association a co dial invitation to come to Durham. And in doing that, I will ad that I think it is really our time. The last time that the Conve tion was in Durham was in 1891, only four years after the con mencement of this organization. Since then we have gone to th different townships, and we were in Salisbury five years later. W have waited until we were in a position to give the Tournament th proper attention, and we want to say to you that we think tha time has now come, as I would like for you to see. And I extend t you, in the name of the good people of Durham, our firemen an people, an invitation to carry the Tournament there next year.

In regard to the firemen, we found trouble to raise the mon this year, and we went out, and the good people in our town ga us $800 in less than two weeks, and whenever we come to the Co vention every man's expenses is paid, and his uniform too. If w can do that in off years, if we can get the Tournament next ye we will give you the biggest Tournament ever held in North Ca olina. I will be glad if you will come to us. We have waited lo and patiently for it. At Wilmington I told the President we we going to ask for it and at Charlotte we wanted it, I mean the c ebration there that year. We went to Charlotte and our town w not in exactly the condition we wanted it in for the tournamen but we intended to ask for it there, and the boys throughout t State wanted to take a trip to the mountains, and we yielded the extreme West. But now, gentlemen, we come and ask you come to Durham. We will throw the whole town open to you, a we will give you the best Fire Tournament that has ever been he in the State.

MR. LUMSDEN, of Raleigh :

I appreciate the remarks of the brother from Durham, and will hold ourselves in readiness to respond to their call. The oth night when they called on us in their need, it was only a few mi utes before we responded to the call. We will go and fight fi for you and do anything else that it is in our power to do for yo but next year we will go to Salisbury. And I will vote the enti strength of the Raleigh Departments that we will go to Salisbur

MR. DELAMAR :

As Mr. Maddry says, we met five years later in Salisbury th in Durham. I move that we go next year to Durham.

President McNEILL :

The most cordial invitations have been extended to the Asso-
ation from the City of Salisbury and from the City of Durham.
s President of the Association, I thank you both for the kind in-
tations extended by you, and I only regret that the boys cannot
ccept but one.

I appoint Chief Delamar of New Bern, and Chief Taylor of
reensboro, tellers to take the vote.

I ask before we take the vote, if the present Mayor of Salis-
ıry will be Mayor twelve months from now ?

MR. JULIAN :

Yes, sir.

President McNEILL:

There is nothing more uncertain than politics.

MR. BOYDEN :

I want to say to the gentlemen that it does not make any dif-
rence whether I am Mayor or not, my heart and hand will be
ere with the firemen of North Carolina.

MR. JULIAN :

I want to say that as sure as he is living, he will be Mayor.

MR. DELAMAR :

I am with Mayor Boyden this year, but I am for Durham next
ear.

The roll is called.

Mr. Lumsden votes nine for Raleigh in favor of Dur-
am.

President McNEILL :

My only desire in this matter is to have everything absolutely
easant for all. It is against the rules of this Association to vote
proxy, and with all due love, affection and esteem for you, Mr.
ımsden, I cannot allow the rule to be broken, even for you, our
osts.

President McNEILL :

The vote handed me by the tellers shows 58 for Durham and 42
r Salisbury.

MR. MADDRY :

I desire in the name of the citizens of Durham to return ou sincere thanks for the honor you have conferred on us.

MR. BOYDEN :

I thank the gentlemen of this Convention for the vote the cast for Salisbury, and I move that the selection be made unan mous.

Motion seconded and adopted.

MR. MADRRY :

I desire, gentlemen, to return my sincere thanks to this Co vention: and I assure that we will do all we said to carry out wha has been agreed to here to-night. Durham got this next meetin because it has been nine years since we have had it, and not b cause the people do not want to go to Salisbury. A man remarke a short time ago in my hearing that he wanted to go to Salisbur but it was Durham's time. We think we are entitled to the Co vention next year and we have got the Convention next year, a I want to express my sincere thanks to the Convention for it.

MR. DAVIS, of Charlotte :

I would like to ask the Convention that the money appropriat for the premiums be raised.

President MCNEILL :

Get this thing in writing before the Convention.

MR. DAVIS, of Charlotte :

I ask that a cash prize of $200 be appropriated to be run f each year as a Championship prize : not a belt, but a $200 ca prize.

President MCNEILL :

Will the gentleman please state where the $200 is going to co from? The Chair will state in connection with this, that it was i tended and the Chair was instructed year before last, to buy a be to be run for every year. That was rescinded at the last meetin and I was instructed by the Executive Committee to provide Championship medal to be run for every year. The reason the Cha has not done that is because he thought at one time that that m dal was going to become a source of contention, and that it wou be better for us to provide some method of getting a championshi

ıedal. The proposition of the gentleman from Charlotte that we aise $200 every year for the championship prize in the Associaion, is before the house. I want to say, however, that though our eneral fund has been built up some in the last two or three years y very strong economy upon the part of the management, it has ınly been about two years since we had a deficit in that fund; and ıot knowing what claims will be made upon us, I am afraid we ould be trespassing upon a fund which is absolutely necessary for he maintenance of your organization.

MR. DAVIS, of Charlotte.

The members of the Charlotte team think it would be better to ive a cash prize than it would be to have a medal or a belt. We o not care for the $200. We want whatever sum the Association an pay and keep out of debt. What we want is a cash prize, so ır as Charlotte is concerned, and not a belt or medal, whatever ıe Association thinks proper for the cash prize, be it $10, $50, $100 r $200, it would suit Charlotte. But we would like to have that rize in cash.

President MCNEILL:

The Chair will state that it will be perfectly right and proper ır the Association to appropriate a cash prize, if the gentleman ill name such a sum as would be within the provice of our Convenon. If Mr. Davis would reduce his amount somewhat, if he would ake it $100 or $150.

MR. DAVIS:

I ask that the sum of $100 be appropriated.

President MCNEILL:

That is a question for the Convention. I would like to ask reasurer Green what amount he thinks will be best to appropriate ır that purpose.

MR. GREEN:

My opinion is that I think it is a very good idea to state a cerin amount for a championship race, unless you have something that kind before the Association. In a few years the matter will y so you will have very few Tournaments to support it. I think 00 will be too much, but it strikes me that we can easily appriate $50 annually for the prize to be called the Championship rize, $50 in gold. We have not got much money. It is true we ıve some money, but the accident income has to come out of that

$400. In the first place it will take $125 to pay the printing bil and then other appropriations and orders that have been allowe will have to come out of it. You can start at $50 and increas gradually. You had better not start too high. It is much bette to go up slowly than it is to jump high and fall all the way bac You might strain a point and make it $100, but it is my opinion i is better to start at $50 at first, and if we see it inspires the fir men, we can increase it and say $100 for the next year. I think is a very good idea, and I will second the motion if you will mak the amount $50.

MR. TAYLOR:

I make this suggestion in regard to the Championship Prize. make the motion that the Association make the Championshi Prize $200, and let it be won in the same manner that the Chan pionship Belt was, that the reel team winning it three times i succession, it becomes their property. Thus you will have thr years in which to raise the $200—and you might have it five.

MR. MELONEY:

I suggest that as our tax is fifty cents, we increase it to seve ty-five, and in that manner we can raise the $200. Fifty dollars not enough for that race. It is the hardest race we have got, a I for one, would not run for $50. We can easily raise the $200 h —there is not a man here but what would contribute to it.

MR. DAVIS:

I wish to say my team will not make a race like that for $ prize. I believe $100 is entirely too little, but owing to the stat of the finances of the Association, I am willing to make it $100 t start with. But we do not want any $200 prize to be run for thr years It is almost impossible for any team to win it three tim in succession. It might take ten years for one team to win th $200 three times in succession. I want something to run for eve year. It will give more interest to it, and give us something f the State Championship. There has very little interest been take in it for several years, and if this Association will make the a propriation $100 to start with, you will have more teams enter for the State Tournament than ever before. If you make it $50 do not believe there are two teams in Raleigh that will enter. is too hard on the men to make them run three hundred yards f $50. No one who is not on a reel team can appreciate what it to run reel races. If it is necessary to make our per capita t seventy-five cents, make it seventy-five cents. I do not believe

s necessary, but if so, make it seventy-five cents and let us not ıave the prize for the State Championship less than $100 cash :very year, and to be won here to-morrow or next day, whenever t is, by the team making the best time.

MR. DOUGLASS:

I wish to say that I am very strongly opposed to making a cash ›rize for the Championship Race. I have been sent to the Con- ention by the Southside Hose Company of Greensboro the only ompany which has run in that Championship Race ever since it ras organized, and now holds the belt. And, speaking for my wn Company, which is the only Company that has come to the cratch every single time, that we would not and could not have otten up the same interest in our Company for a cash prize that t could for a prize of another kind. And it seems to me that a hampionship prize that is gone as soon as it is won, is not worthy f the championship. I know, speaking for the Champion Hose ompany, we very much more appreciate that belt than we would cash prize, and there is no $200, $300 or $400 that would buy that elt from us. And I will say if you pay proportionately for some- hing that can be handed down—and I think you get up more in- erest in that way than you can by merely giving money prizes. Ve have never had any lack of interest so far. The only reason e did not come here this time was to give the other companies a hance to come, and for these reasons I am very much opposed to ash prizes. I think we would make it a very much more lofty race o make some valuable provision that shall be spent for a prize—a ›ving cup, or something of that kind. It would be very much more cceptible than a cash prize.

MR. DAVIS:

I want to ask the gentleman from Greensboro why his com- any is not here today?

MR. DOUGLAS:

My reason is that the City of Greensboro very justly will not t us take all the apparatus away from the town. My Company as been away for nine years in succession, and we thought it was nly right that we should stay at home and give the other Com- anies a chance to win the belt.

MR. DELAMAR:

We have a cash prize in every other race, and it seems to me we have something in the way of a loving cup that can be kept,

it would be far better than money, which in a few days is gone. I: we have a medal, or something of that kind, we can put it away and keep it. I have been in reel races, and I have not found it was so much harder to race three hundred yards than to race one hundred and fifty. I know it is a longer race and all that; but with proper training we do not feel that it is so much more than one hundred and fifty. I think that a belt, cup or medal will be far better than a cash prize.

MR. GALES :

I thought that the Championship Race was mostly run for the honor. I did not know it was going to come to a cash basis. When a Company won that Championship Race, I thought that the honor was sufficient. I am opposed to putting up any cash prize.

President MCNEILL :

It is a question altogether for the Convention.

MR. WEBB, of Kinston :

I want you to fix this thing and fix it right, because Kinston is going into the race this year.

President MCNEILL :

I do not think it would be judicious or wise for us to increase our per capita tax. I think we have got that to about what ought to be expected from firemen for his dues. I am the servant of the Association, and whatever the wish of this Association is, shall be and will be carried out. It is a matter of perfect indifference to me whether that $100 is in the shape of a belt, loving cup or medal. To some minds one idea commends itself, and to others another. A great many men think more of a dollar than a diamond ring, while others think more of a diamond ring than of a dollar. It is a matter entirely for the Convention to decide.

MR. MERONEY, of Salisbury :

I am in favor of some trophy that the Company can keep something given every year—I do not mean a prize we will have to run three or four times to win. You know the trouble and difficulty of entering upon a road where, having won three times consecutively, you have to run a fourth time on a stretch. We were ruled out, but we had to give way to your superior judgment, but as for raising this money for the occasion to provide this trophy I believe if we increase our membership fee, we can do it. I promise you if you will give a prize for the winning Company to keep, that the Association will double her membership.

MR. DAVIS:

I move that this Association every year purchases a fifty dol-ır loving cup, and give it to the Company winning the Champion-hip Race as the property of the Company winning that race. Mo-ion seconded.

President MCNEILL :

It is before the house. You heard the motion.

MR. DAVIS :

The original motion was to accept the amendment making it to egin this year, and we accepted the amendment.

President MCNEILL :

It is the Chair's understanding that the Executive Committee e authorized to expend the sum of $50 per annum for the purpose f purchasing a silver cup or trophy to be given to the team win-ing the championship every year as its property. I suggest that portion of that $50, say $45, be expended in a loving cup, and $5 or a pennant to be carried by the Company receiving the Cham-ionship. That the sum of $45 be expended on a loving cup, and $5 ı a pennant that the winning team carry a banner showing the ear in which it won this championship, along with its trophy.

You have heard this discussion gentlemen. Are you ready for ıe question?

(Cries of question, question.)

It is moved, seconded and adopted that the sum of $50 e expended annually for a championship prize to be the roperty of the winning Company, and that $5 be ex-ended for a pennant to be carried by said Company.

MR. O'NEAL :

I move that the Convention now adjourn. Motion seconded.

MR. O'NEAL :

I think it would be well now to remind the members of where e meet and the hours for meeting.

President MCNEILL:

You must recollect gentlemen, that every Company entering very race has the right to select its own judges, also the Captain f every team entering every race must meet and draw his place in

that race by lot. These things will have to be gone into in the morning. The Convention owes a great deal to the Press of Raleigh for the publicity that has been given to this occasion, and I would like to offer the following resolution :

Resolved, That the full appreciation of the membership of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association be extended to the officials of the several Railroads of the State for granting to us the just and liberal rates made to us for our 1902 meeting

Resolved, That we fully appreciate the extraordinary efforts on the part of the Press of the City of Raleigh in giving the fullest publicity to our Annual Meeting, and for the very full, fair and extensive reports of our proceedings We thank them, and we want them to know it.

MR. DELAMAR :

Mr. President, our By-Laws make no provision for an official starter for the races at Tournaments, and the Secretary has been filling this position without extra compensation and as it is a very arduous position, I move you sir that a salary of $25 be paid for each Tournament and that Mr. W. C. VonGlahn be elected official starter.

Motion seconded and unanimously carried.

It was moved, seconded and adopted that the Convention adjourn sine die.

HORSE HOSE WAGON CONTEST.

WEDNESDAY.

JUDGES—E. E. Bain, Chas. Schnibben, J. C. Michie, Will Bailey, Horace King, Walter Lenton, Wm. Pate, M. A. Shank, J. F. Madry.

Steamer Co. No. 1, Greensboro—Time, 47 2-5 seconds.
Eagle Hose Co , Greensboro—Time, 46 1-5 seconds.
Fire Co. No. 1, Goldsboro—Time, 34 seconds.
Hose Co. No. 2, Durham—Time, 42 seconds.
Rescue Co., Raleigh - Time. ~~30 2-5~~ seconds.
Salisbury Co., Salisbury—Time, 42 2-5 seconds.
Capitol Hose Co , Raleigh—Time, 42 seconds.
Eclipse S. F. E. Co , Goldsboro—Time, 32 1-5 seconds.
Hose Co. No. 1, Durham—Time, 41 seconds.

QUICK STEAM.

JUDGES—Horace King, E. E. Bain, Chas. Schnibben, J. F. Madry, J. M. Patton.

TIMERS—H. T. Day, Geo. Hardin, Jun. H. Hardin.

ENTRIES.

Charlotte—No Time.
Greensboro—Time, 4 minutes, 47 seconds.
Elizabeth City—Time, 3 minutes, 48 1-5 seconds.
New Berne—No Time.

LONG DISTANCE.

Charlotte—No Time.
Greensboro—205 feet, 2 inches.
Elizabeth City—213 feet, 1 inch.
Rocky Mount—217 feet, 9 inches.
New Berne—No time

CHAMPIONSHIP REEL RACE.

Capital Hose Co., Raleigh—Time,47 minutes, 2-5 seconds.
Rescue Co., Raleigh—No time.
Monroe Fire Co., Monroe—No time.

THURSDAY.

HOOK AND LADDER CONTEST.

JUDGES—R. D. Douglas, Will Bailey, J. F. Maddry.

TIMERS—W. S. Orr, H. T. Day, J. H. Hardin.

Greensboro H. & L. Co., Greensboro—Time, 53 seconds.
W. R. Womble H. & L. Co., Raleigh—Time, 44 2-5 seconds.

HAND REEL CONTEST.

Monroe Fire Co., Monroe--Time, 30 1-5 seconds.
Rough & Ready Co., Salem—Time, 29 seconds.
Rescue Co., Raleigh—No Time.
Charlotte Reel Team, Charlotte—Time, 27½ seconds.
Hose & Reel Co. No. 1, Concord—Time, 29 3-5 seconds.
Hook & Ladder Co , Tarboro—No time.
Fire Co. No. 1, Spencer—Time, 26 3-5 seconds.
Capital Hose Co., Raleigh—Time, 22 1-5 seconds.

JUDGES—Horace King, Gaston Madison, W. L. Lenton, Q. E. Smith, J. F. Maddry.

GRAB REEL CONTEST.

JUDGES—Horace King, Gaston Madison, W. L, Lenton, Q. E. Smith, J. F. Maddry.

Rough & Ready Co., Salem—No time.
Rescue Co., Raleigh—No time
Charlotte Reel Team, Charlotte--No time.
Hose & Reel Co. No. 1, Concord--Time, 22 2-5 seconds.
H. & L. Co., Tarboro---No time.
Fire Co. No. 1, Spencer--Time, 20 seconds.
Capital Hose Co., Raleigh---Time, 22 1-5 seconds.

INDIVIDUAL FOOT RACE.

Spencer Bass, Tarboro---Time, 10 4-5 seconds.

In Memoriam

of

John Julian,

A member of

Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 2,

of

Winston, N. C.

In Memoriam

of

R. S. Westmoreland,

A member of

Steam Fire Engine Co., No. 1,

of

Winston, N. C.

In Memoriam

of

Thos. Price,

A member of

Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1,

of

Winston, N. C.

ULES GOVERNING TOURNAMENTS AND RACES HELD UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE ASSOCIATION.

RULE I.

There shall be held annually an Association Tourna-
ent, at such time and place as the Association shall from
ne to time direct, at which Tournament, and no other,
e championship of the various branches of the firemen's
rvices shall be contested for.

All Tournaments shall be under the auspices of the
ssociation, but the arrangements shall be made by the
emen and citizens at the place at which it is to be held.

RULE II.

Section 1. Champion prizes, other than money prizes,
all be the property of the Association, subject to their
ll and control, but will be in possession of the champion
mpanies until within ten days of the meeting of the As-
ciation, when it shall be returned to the Secretary, and
him put in safe keeping until the day of the races, and
en he shall place the same in the hands of the judges of
e race for which prize is offered before the Companies
rt in said race.

Sec. 2. The Association shall have power to suspend
y Company from participating in any Annual Tourna-
nt.

Sec. 3. All Companies, members of the Association,
n contest for prizes at the Annual Tournament, unless
spended.

Sec. 4. All prizes hereafter offered for contest at the
nual Tournament of the Association, for which there
s been no competion, shall revert to the North Carolina
ate Firemen's Association, to be by said Association de-

voted to the purchase of permanent Association Championship prizes, to be competed for as provided for in the preceding section.

RULE III.

Section 1. The Captains of the competing teams shall select Judges and Time-Keepers at each Annual Tournament, who shall decide each and every contest which takes place at said Tournament. That no one shall serve as a Judge in any of the contests who is not a resident of the State of North Carolina, and who is a member of a competing Company taking part in these contests, and the decision of these Judges shall be final.

RULE IV.

Section 1. Any Company attempting to win a prize by fraud, deception or foul play, or in any dishonorable way, or who shall disobey or infringe upon or evade any of the requirements of these Rules, shall forfeit any prize won thereby, and shall be subject to suspension or expulsion.

Sec. 2. None but regular organized Companies, who have been organized as such at least thirty days prior to the Annual Tournament, and are members of this Association, can compete for any championship, and no person shall be allowed to run with or assist any Company in any contest who has not been a member of said Company at least thirty days prior to such contest.

Sec. 3. No Company shall be allowed more than one trial in any contest.

RULE V.

Section 1. Every person taking any part in any contest requiring running shall be required to start with his Company from the starting point.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of the starting Judges to start each team by saying, "Are you ready ?" after which a pistol will be fired or an electric bell sounded, and time taken from these.

Sec. 3. All contestants in races must be decently lothed, the Executive Committee to decide.

RULE VI.

Section 1. The Start and Outcome Judges in any con-est shall, by means of flag signals, signify the readiness or a start prior to any run.

Sec. 2. Timers must be placed at the Outcome and me must be settled by them before reporting to the idges, and they must report their readiness to Judges at utcome before each team is started.

RULE VII.

Section 1. The names of the contestants in each team, id the names of not more than four substitutes in each am, must be handed to the Secretary of the Association ior to the contest, and such list must be accompanied by certificate from the Foreman and Secretary of the De-irtment to which the team belongs that such parties are tual members in good standing in said Department.

Sec. 2. In case of a tie being made by teams in any ntest, the Judges shall immediately order such teams to n over, and such run shall decide the contest.

RULE VIII.

Section 1. All Hand Reel Races shall be run on the cond day of Tournament.

Sec. 2. The town, at which Tournament is held, shall required to have attached to a hydrant at which runs made, a pressure guage that the water pressure may seen at all times.

RULES GOVERNING HOSE COMPANIES.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP CONTESTS.

Section 1. Any cart capable of carrying 500 feet of reg-r hose may be used. Number not to exceed sixteen n and a foreman.

Sec. 2. Hose race, wet or dry, distance to hydrant 200 yards, lay 300 feet of hose, uncouple, put on pipe, time to be called when pipe is dropped to the ground in dry run, and when water leaves the pipe in wet run, carts not to carry less than 350 feet of hose reeled into one continuous line. Companies not to exceed sixteen men and a foreman.

Sec. 3. The Association shall purchase an electrical starting apparatus, which shall be used in starting all races of the Association. The apparatus to be between the wheels in four-wheel apparatus, and beyond the reel in reel races.

Sec. 4. Pipe to be carried on cart or by pipeman from the start. Pipe shall be of such style or pattern as teams may select. PROVIDED ALWAYS, they are suitable for active service. NO COUPLING OTHER THAN STANDARD SCREW COUPLINGS SHALL BE ALLOWED.

Sec. 5. No man to start ahead of leaders or to fall in and assist in dragging the apparatus after the start.

Sec. 6. No professional runner will be allowed to compete in any contest. The term "professional runner," is applied to one who has or is following racing as a profession or means of livelihood, and common reputation shall be deemed conclusive evidence of such profession, which shall be determined by the Executive Committee.

Sec. 7. All couplings used must be standard screw couplings, eight threads to the inch, and adopted to two and one-half inch fire hose; the hose on each coupling not to be shorter than forty-eight feet.

Sec. 8. All work must be done by hands or spanner.

Sec. 9. Snap, spring and unproportioned couplings, or any attachment to couplings to assist in breaking or making, BARRED.

Sec. 10. When time is called, competitors must step back for Judges to examine. Judges must chalk pipe and couplings before moving, then turn pipe off to see that it takes the required three turns to disconnect.

Sec. 11. That the Association, at its meeting previous o the time such Championship Race shall come off, shall lect three Judges, one Timekeeper and one whose duty it hall be to take charge of the Race under the above rules nd report the results to the Secretary as soon as the Race s over.

HAND HOOK AND LADDER CONTESTS.

Trucks to be weighed and one man allowed to every eventy-five (75) pounds—Captain and Ladderman not inluded with the running team, but to run in the contest.

Distance to be run, one hundred (100) yards—take off nd raise one ladder, (which must not be less than thirty 30) feet long, man to ascend and touch top piece of lader and descend, replacing ladder. Ladder must be raised y hand—no hooks or poles allowed.

No less than two entries required.

RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING MONEY PRIZES.

Steamer Contest.

QUICK STEAM FROM START TO FINISH.

Two entries required.

Engine to come to starting point, hitched up. To run 00 yards, take suction, attach hose and throw water 50 eet from nozzle through not less than 98 feet of hose.

Time for firing engine optional after signal to start is iven. Driver, Engineer and Stroker to ride on engine. Iose wagon to follow with not more than six men exclusive of driver. Time to be taken from starting signal unil water goes over the 50-feet line. Quantity and quality f fuel optional.

QUICK STEAM—TWO TO ENTER.

Steamer to come to cistern empty and cold; to be filled with cold water until the engineer running the engine says "stop"; fuel to be furnished by the Judges, and must be the same as fired with in case of fire (either wood or coal and not over one-half gallon of alcohol or oil). Time to be taken from pistol shot, and to throw water 50 feet, through not less than 48 feet of hose. That the stack on engines in all contests from this time forward shall not exceed two feet, and throw water over the 50 foot line continously for 5 minutes.

DISTANCE—TWO TO ENTER.

Steamer throwing water the greatest distance; with not over 100 pounds of steam, through not less than 48 feet of hose, size of nozzle optional.

The steam guage of each engine to be tested by all competing engineers prior to contest.

HAND REEL CONTEST.

TWO TO ENTER.

Sixteen men and a foreman allowed.

Reel not to carry less than 148 feet of standard two and one-half inch hose; to be connected on the start as when ready for duty at fires (three full threads); to run 150 yards, unreel not less than 98 feet of hose, attach same to plug, screw pipe to hose (any size nozzle), throw water in quickest time. Water to show opposite or beyond the hydrant, or Company shall be ruled out. The plug must be closed, cap on three threads, at the time of the Company starting on the run, and shall be opened by the Wrenchman running with the Company. No straps or snaps couplings allowed.

The hose must be let go as soon as attached to the plug. If the butt is blown off the Company shall be ruled out. No couplings shall be used without nipples.

No Company shall be allowed to assist another. In the ın, each Company is required to furnish a roll of its ıembers to Secretary of the Association on the morning f the first day, as early as possible. Fifteen minutes will e allowed each Company after the Judge's signal for ready nd any Company failing to start within that time shall e ruled out. Two entries required. No one allowed inde the ropes except the Company making the run. The ompany making the best time wins the first prize. No ompany allowed to enter more than one team.

GRAB RACE CONTEST.

Company to run 50 yards, grab reel and run 50 yards plug, unreel not less than 48 feet of hose, attach same plug and throw water—drag rope to be up or down (oponal with Company). Plug must be closed when Comany starts to run same as the Reel Contest. Coupling to e broken opposite or beyond the plug. Should butt of ozzle blow off, Company to be ruled out.

HAND TRUCK HOOK AND LADDER RACE.

Companies allowed one man to every 75 pounds, exusive of Ladderman and Captain. Must run 100 yards, ıke off and raise one ladder (which must be not less than) feet long), man to ascend and touch top piece or round ladder and descend, replace ladder.

Ladders must be raised by hand. No hooks or poles lowed.

No less than two entries allowed.

HOOK AND LADDER CONTEST—HORSE TRUCK.

TWO TO ENTER.

Companies allowed one or two-horse truck. Trucks be weighed. Weight for one horse not less than 1,500 ounds, EXCLUSIVE OF DRIVER AND MEN; for two horses ot less than 2,600 pounds. Horse or horses to be hitched

to truck, rear wheels on starting line, and run 300 yards take off one 30-foot ladder, man to ascend and touch top piece or round of ladder and descend; replace ladder on truck in same position as when removed. Ladder must be raised by hand. Ladderman must touch bottom and top round in ascending. No hooks or poles allowed. Not less than two entries allowed. Not more than sixteen men allowed, exclusive of driver and ladderman.

HORSE REEL RACE.

TWO TO ENTER.

Companies allowed the use of any four-wheeled Hose Carriage or Wagon, either one or two horse, to carry not less than 350 feet standard two and one-half inch hose Carriage or Wagon to be weighed; weight for one horse not less than 1,200 pounds, EXCLUSIVE OF DRIVER AND MEN; for two horses not less than 2,600 pounds, EXCLUSIVE OF DRIVER AND MEN; the driver, buttman and coupling breaker shall ride on Carriage or Wagon, horse or horses to be hitched to Hose Carriage or Wagon, and to be given a moving start of 50 yards behind the actual starting line. The starting line to be so located as to be a 200 yards run for horse to hydrant, where Company is to unreel. Time taken from mount front wheels of wagon pass over starting line until water shows, unreel not less than 288 feet of hose, break coupling and attach pipe and show water, water must show within 50 feet of 288 foot line; hose to be reeled on carriage or placed on wagon, connected with three full threads. The plug must be closed at the time of the Company starting and cannot be opened until hose is first started to be unreeled. Companies allowed five men in addition to those who ride, and can be placed in such position as desired. Time taken from first signal until water shows. If butt of pipe blows off Company shall be ruled out, and hose must be let go before the pressure is taken off. Where ballast is used the certificate must show the kind of ballast and weight of same

ONE HUNDRED YARD FOOT RACE CONTEST.

Men to run 100 yards. Two men to be selected by the Captain of each company. The one making the best time wins the prize.

OTHER EVENTS.

SACK RACE.

Contestants to be enveloped in bags to the neck, run 50 yards. All persons entering must run at the same time.

BARROW RACE.

To run 50 yards. Contestants to be blindfolded. The one coming nearest the mark wins the prize.

GENERAL RULES.

All contestants will be required to take part in the parade, unless excused for satisfactory reasons, same to be made in writing.

In no case will a second trial be allowed.

Each Company's run will be decided by lot.

Captains will select all judges on the morning of the contest. All competing Companies must furnish the judges with weight of apparatus—to be weighed on city scales.

Companies wishing coupling—city standard, eight threads to the inch—will be furnished with the same on application to the Chief of Fire Department.

Hose will be furnished on the day of contest if desired. No person will be allowed to enter any of the contests unless he is a BONA FIDE member of the Company with which he enters.

N. B.—Judges must be governed by the above RULES, as no changes will be allowed under any circumstances.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY CONVENED:

SECTION 1. That C. D. Benbow, J. G. Fowler, H. J Elam, A. T. Boyd, C. F. Thomas, J. R. Donnell, Charle Whittington and S. D. Wilson, of Greensboro; J. D. Mc Neill, of Fayetteville; J. T. Thacker, W. F. Keith, S. A Sink, C. D. Snipes, F. H. Vogler, F. C. Meinung, o Winston-Salem; E. B. Englehard, T. W. Blake, F. H Lumsden and F. Branan, of Raleigh; H. E. Heartt, of Dur ham; J. B. Swinson, of Charlotte, and such other person as are associated with them, and their successors be, an they hereby are, constituted a body politic and corporat by the name of the North Carolina State Firemen's Asso ciation, and by that name sue and be sued and prosecut and defend suits in all courts in the State and may hav and use a common seal, and alter the same at pleasure May take contracts and be capable in law of purchasing holding and conveying any real or personal estate for th benefit of said Association or corporation, provided, th said corporation shall not at any time hold real or persona estate of greater amount than ten thoasand ($10,000 dollars.

Sec. 2. The purposes for which said Association is or ganized are: The protection and the promotion of th best interest of the firemen of North Carolina, the com pilation of fire statistics, the collection of information con cerning the practical workings of different systems of or ganizations, the examination and inquiry concerning th merits of the different kinds of apparatus in use and th improvements in the same, the cultivation of a fraterna fellowship between the different Companies of the State

Sec. 3. Said Association or corporation shall have power to appoint officers, hold meetings, adopt a Constitution and enact such By-Laws in such manner as their Constitution may prescribe, and make such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry into effect the objects and aims of the Association; provided, that such Constitution and By-Laws, rules and regulations be not repugnant to the Constitution of the State and of the United States.

Sec. 4. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified the 11th day of March, A. D. 1889.

NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIA TION.

PREAMBLE.

We, the members of the North Carolina State Fir men's Association, in order to form a more perfect orga ization, establish harmony of action, insure prosperity ar success, provide pecuniary support, secure protection ar promote the best interest of the Firemen of North Car lina, and compile statistics of information concerning th pratical working of various systems and the merits of th different apparatus in use for the extinguishing of fire also the cultivation of fraternal fellowship between th several Fire Departments of the State, do hereby establis the following Constitution and By-Laws :

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. This organization shall be known as th North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

ARTICLE II.

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall consi of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer ar Statistician, and they shall constitute the Executive Con mittee and will hold their respective offices for one yea or until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

Sec. 2. The officers shall be elected at the annu meeting of the Association by ballot, the successful cand date to receive a majority of the votes cast.

ARTICLE III.

SECTION 1. The members of this Association shall co sist of the several Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs of Fire D partments, Fire Marshalls, Superintendents of Fire Ala

elegraph and Waterworks, and each regular organized re Company in the several Fire Departments of the State, id persons and Companies complying with the provisions the Constitution and By-Laws of this Association; all ividual members of such Fire Company shall, also, by irtue of their membership in such Company, be members f this Association for the purpose of participating in the enefits of this Association, and the funds distributed by , so long as said Company remains a member of this Asociation and complies with the Constitution and By-Laws, nd no longer. But should any member fail to pay his pro ata assessment, when called for, he shall be debarred rom the privileges of this Association.

Sec. 2. Any member injured or made sick by disease contracted in the actual discharge of his duty, as a Fireman, shall be entitled to the benefits from the "Firemen's Relief Fund" of this Association, as follows: At the rate of two ($2.00) dollars while totally unable to attend to his ordinary business by reason of such injury or sickness, but such beneficiary, arising from any particular injury or sickness, shall not lose time longer than ONE HUNDRED days from date of such injury, or beginning of such disability created by such sickness; but when partially disabled may receive $1.00 per day for not exceeding twenty days; but the Executive Committee may extend such benefits to the next annual meeting of the Association held next after the expiration of said period of one hundred days, and the Association at the annual meeting will, at its pleasure, determine the time for which such benefits may be received. That 10 per cent. be deducted from all claim for benefits, and placed to the credit of the General Fund to defray expenses of the same. In case of death from such sickness or injury, this Association shall pay to the widow of the deceased $250.00 and $50.00 for funeral expenses, and in case the deceased should have no relatives, this amount shall be paid into the treasury of the Company of which he was a member. Every person or Company eligible and desiring to become a member of this

Association shall make application to the Secretary and a the same time pay to the Secretary the prescribed mem bership fee, and thereupon, if such applicant be eligible he shall become a member of this Association.

Sec. 3. Every Fire Company in the State, which is a member of the Association, shall, on or before the first day of August in each year, elect two delegates and, also, two alternates, to serve for the ensuing year, with the Chief Engineer and First Assistant of the various department as delegates at large, who are entitled to one vote each They shall be beneficiary members of the Association and shall show on our beneficiary roll.

Sec. 4. All Companies represented in this Association must be in full accord and in good standing in the Fire Department where they are located, and if at any time they are not so, they shall forfeit all right to membership in this Association ; but that Companies who retire from active service for a term of not more than two years shall be considered entitled to all privileges of the Convention

ARTICLE IV.

SECTION 1. The annual meeting of the Association shall be held at such time and place, in each and every year, as the Executive Committee may select, as a majority of the members present of the Association shall designate and special meeting may be called by the President or a majority of the Executive Committee.

Sec. 2. A failure to hold any annual meeting at the time designated in the Constitution shall in no wise make a dissolution of the Association.

Sec. 3. The Executive Committee shall meet at such time and place as they may decide, on a call of the President or a majority of said Committee.

ARTICLE V.

SECTION 1. If any vacancy shall occur by reason of death, resignation of office or membership of any officers of this Association, such vacancy may be filled by the

xecutive Committee for the unexpired term for which aid officer was elected.

ARTICLE VI.

SECTION 1. This Association shall have power to alter, mend or revise this Constitution and By-Laws, but it hall be necessary for a two-thirds vote of the members the Association present ENTITLED TO VOTE: PROVIDED, e proposed amendment shall be submitted in writing at previous meeting of the Executive Committee.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. It shall be the duty of the President to eside over the meetings of the Association and to sign l orders duly granted by the Association or Executive ommittee.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to erform all the duties of the President in his absence.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a mplete record of the proceedings of the Association, to ceive and answer all communications pertaining to the ssociation. To keep a roster of the names of the differ- t Companies composing the Association and the indivi- al membership thereof, and to collect the initation fee d per capita tax, to pay the same over to the Treasurer, king his receipt therefor. He shall receive as compensa- n for his services $100 per annum, to be paid quarterly warrant on the Treasurer, signed by the President.

Sec. 4. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys collect- by the Secretary and receipt to him for the same. He all collect annually from the State Treasurer the amount propriated by the Legislature for the Firemen's Relief nd. He shall disburse no moneys except on order of the esident or by instruction of the Association in annual eeting assembled. At the annual meeting he shall make full report of all moneys received and distributed by him, d shall execute a bond to the State of North Carolina the amount of $5,000, to be approved and filed with the

Treasurer of the said State of North Carolina, and shall make a detailed report to the said Treasurer of the yearly expenditures of the Firemen's Relief Fund. He shall execute a bond in the sum of $800 to this Association for the security of the General Fund, said bond must be approved by the Executive Committee. He shall receive $150 compensation as annual salary, to be paid quarterly by warrant issued by the Secretary and signed by the President.

Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the Statistician to correctly compile the statistics of each village and city in the State, of all matters pertaining to the fire service, annually correcting the previous reports, which shall include everything of interest to our Firemen, and be so arranged as to be comprehensive in every detail. The expenses of all printing, printed matter and postage necessary in the sending for and receiving of such information to be paid by the Association, and he shall receive $25 annually for his services.

Sec. 6. The duty of the Executive Committee shall be to have published the proceedings of the Association ; to transact all business of the Association during the time intervening between the annual meetings, and they shall constitute a Board of Trustees for the management of all funds of the Association. At all meetings of the Executive Committee a majority of the Committee shall constitute a quorum, and a majority of such quorum may determine all questions.

ARTICLE II.

SECTION 1. Each Company shall pay a membership fee of five dollars. Fifty cents per capita yearly thereafter in advance, for dues ; and each Chief, Assistant Chief, Fire Marshal and Superintendent of Fire Alarm Telegraph and Water Works shall pay one dollar annual dues in advance. The Secretary of the Association shall be exempt from the payment of annual dues.

Sec. 2. The annual dues shall be paid on or before the first day of January in each year, in advance for the ensueing year. And all members who fail to comply with

this Section shall, thereon, and by reason of such failure, cease to be members of this Association and cannot again become members except by a new application, made in regular form, and paying the prescribed fee for membership.

Sec. 3. Any individual or Company, members of this Association, who, at any time, fail to act in a gentlemanly manner, may, upon charges being brought before the Association, be expelled from said Association by a majority vote of the membership.

Sec. 4. Any exempt Firemen may, upon the payment of two dollars and of the regular annual dues, become a member of this Association, with all the rights and privileges of any other member.

ARTICLE III.

SECTION 1. All members sick or injured in the line of fire duty shall be entitled to the benefits from the Firemen's Relief Fund of this Association as follows: At the rate of two dollars each day, while unable to attend to their regular business, as provided for in the Constitution. That 10 per cent. be deducted from all claims for benefits and placed to the credit of the General Fund to defray expenses of the same.

Sec. 2. In case of death from sickness or inquiry received in the performance of fire duty, $250.00 and $50.00 for funeral expenses.

Sec. 3. For the widow; in case there is no widow, to the children; if there is no child or children, to the mother of the deceased Fireman, the sum of $250 and $50 for funeral expenses; and in case there be no relative, to be paid to the Treasurer of the Company of which he was a member.

Sec. 4. The Chief, or Acting Chief, shall certify before a Magistrate or Notary Public on blank form, in triplicate, furnished by the Secretary, all particulars regarding each case where a benefit is required, accompanied by the certificate of the attending physician.

Sec. 5. Applications for benefits shall be made to the

Secretary, in compliance with forms to be furnished by him for that purpose, and shall be made within thirty days after receiving the injury or contracting the disease complained of; but said time for making said application may be extended by the Executive Committee for good cause shown.

Sec. 6. The action of the Association upon all questions that may arise as to granting or referring relief and benefits, both as to amount thereof and the person claiming, and as incidental thereto, upon all questions relating to the right or claims of membership, shall be final and conclusive, and the action of the Executive Committee upon said questions shall in like manner and extent be final and conclusive until the same be changed by the Association at its annual meeting.

RULES OF ORDER.

1. The presiding officer shall preserve order and decorum; all questions of order shall be decided by him, subject to an appeal to the Association.

2. Every member when he speaks shall rise, standing in his place, addressing the presiding officer, and shall omit personalities, and confine himself to the question under debate.

3. When two or more members shall rise at once, the presiding officer shall name the one who shall speak first.

4. A member when called to order shall immediately sit down, unless permitted to explain by the chair. If there be no appeal, the decision shall be conclusive.

5. Every delegate shall vote, unless excused by the Association, but no delegate shall vote on any question in which he shall have a direct individual or pecuniary interest, and the President shall only vote in case of a tie.

6. The ayes and nays shall be taken and entered upon the minutes of the Association, if required by three delegates.

7. All business not provided for in these By-Laws shall be transacted according to the parliamentary rules that govern deliberate bodies. No less than the representative of five Companies shall constitute a quorum.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Call to Order.
2. Presentation of Credentials.
3. Reading of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting.
4. Collection of Dues.
5. Report of Officers and Committees.
6. Miscellaneous Business.
7. Volunteer Report of Fire Organizations.
8. Election of Officers.
9. Unfinished Business.
10. Adjournment.

AN ACT CREATING A RELIEF FUND FOR DISA BLED FIREMEN.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA DO ENACT

SECTION 1. That the sum of $2,500.00 be, and th same is hereby appropriated annually, and shall constitut a Firemen's Relief Fund, but in no case shall the said ap propriation exceed one-half of the license tax levied an collected by the State from Insurance Companies.

Sec. 2. That the Treasurer of the State shall pay th amount constituting the Firemen's Relief Fund to th Treasurer of the North Carolina State Firemen's Associa tion on the warrant of the Auditor of the State.

Sec. 3. That the money so paid in the hands of th Treasurer of the said North Carolina State Firemen's As sociation shall be known and remain as the Firemen's Re lief Fund of North Carolina, and shall be used as a fun for the relief of Firemen, members of the Association who may be injured or rendered sick by disease contracte in the actual discharge of duty as Firemen, and for relie of widow's children, and if there be no widow or children then dependent mothers of such Firemen killed or dyin from disease so contracted in such discharge of duty to b paid in such manner and in such sums to such individual of the classes herein named and described as may be pro vided for and determined upon in accordance with th Constitution and By-Laws of said Association. Any suc provisions and determinations made pursuant to said Con stitution and By-Laws shall be final and conclusive as t the persons entitled to benefits and as to the amount o benefit to be received, and no action at law shall be mai tained against said Association to enforce any claim or r cover any benefit under this Act, or under the Constitutio and By-Laws of said Association; but if any officer o

Committee of said Association omit or refuse to perform any duty imposed upon him or them, nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent any proceedings against said officer or Committee to compel him or them to perform such duty.

Sec. 4. The Treasurer of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association shall give a bond to the State of North Carolina, with good and sufficient sureties to the satisfaction of the Treasurer of the State of North Carolina in double of the sum received by him, said Treasurer, for the faithful performance of his duties under this act, and shall make detailed report to the State Treasurer of the yearly expenditure of the appropriation under this act on or before the end of the fiscal year.

Sec. 5. The line of duty specified in Section 3 shall not be so construed as to mean any other duty except actual fire duty, which shall consist of service in the fire department from the time of the fire alarm until the members are dismissed by the company officers at roll call ; also any actual fire duty connected with the fire department when directed to perform same by the officer in charge.

Sec. 6. That any fireman of good moral character in North Carolina, and belonging to any organized fire company, who will comply with the requisitions of the Constitution and By-Laws of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, may become a member of said Association, and any organized fire company in North Carolina, holding itself ready for duty, may, upon compliance with the requisitions of said Constitution and By-Laws, become a member of said North Carolina State Fireman's Association.

Sec. 7. That the provisions of this act shall apply to any fireman who is a member of a regularly organized fire company.

Sec. 8. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 6th day of March A. D., 1891.

AMENDMENT.

An act of the last Legislature reads as follows (see page 41, Proceedings of 1893) :

An act to amend Section 2, Chapter 868, Laws 1891 :

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA DO ENACT:

SECTION 1. That Section 2, Chapter 868, Laws 1891, be amended to read as follows :

Sec. 2. That the Treasurer of the State shall pay the amount constituting the Firemen's Relief Fund on the warrant of the Auditor, three-fourths to the Treasurer of North Carolina State Volunteer Firemen's Association properly chartered by law. That the said Treasurer of the North Carolina State Volunteer Firemen's Association shall give bond, and the said Association shall disburse the funds in the same manner and under the same rules as in the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified March 6th, A. D. 1893.

AMENDMENT.

An act to amend Section 2, Chapter 474 of the Laws of 1893.

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA DO ENACT:

SECTION 1. That Section 2, Chapter 474 of Laws 1893, be amended as follows:

That the word three-fourths in line three, of said Section be stricken out and the words one-fourth be inserted in lieu thereof.

Sec. 2. That this act be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 28th day of February, A. D. 1895.

LIST OF COMPANIES REPRESENTED.

Rescue Hook and Ladder Co	Asheville	Department.
Hose Co. No. 1	"	"
Charlotte Hose Co. No. 1	Charlotte	"
Charlotte Reel Team No. 1	"	"
Pioneer Reel Team No. 2	"	"
Eagle Hose Co. No 4	Salem	"
Rough and Ready Fire Co	"	"
Eagle Hose Co. No. 7	Greensboro	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
Westend Hose Co. No. 5	"	"
Greensboro Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	"	"
Southside Hose Co. No. 4	"	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 2	Winston	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	"	"
Hook and Ladder Co. No 1	Wilmington	"
Hose Co. No. 3	"	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 2	"	"
Chemical Co. No. 1	"	"
Hose and Reel Co. No. 1	Concord	"
Newbern Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	New Bern	"
Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
Wilson Fire Co. No. 3	Wilson	"
Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	Tarboro	"
Hose Co. No. 1	Durham	"
Hose Co. No. 2	"	"
Chicora Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Fayetteville	"
Fayetteville Fire Co	"	"
Fire Co. No. 1	Goldsboro	"
Eclipse Steam Fire Engine Co	"	"
Electric Reel Co	"	"
Hose Co. No. 1	Salisbury	"
Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	"	"
Nelson Hose Co. No. 1	Henderson	"
Fire Co. No. 1	Elizabeth City	"
Fire Co. No. 1	Spencer	"
Phoenix Hook and Ladder Co No. 1	Washington	"
Ocean Fire Company	"	"
Caswell S. F. E. Co. No. 1	Kinston	"
Capital Hose Co	Raleigh	"
Rescue Co	"	"
Hook and Ladder Co	"	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Rocky Mount	"
Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	Southern Pines	"
Hose Co. No. 1	"	"
Hose Co. No. 2	"	"
Fire Co. No. 1	Burlington	"
Fire Co	Monroe	"

OMPANY AND DEPARTMENT MEMBERSHIP FOR 1902.

CHARLOTTE DEPAREMENT.

Chief W. W. Irvine, Assistant J. H. Wentz.

HOSE CO. NO. 1.

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	Richard Northey.	

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J. Swinson,	C. M. Wills,	J. S. A. Porter,
as. Nichols,	Z. S. Jordan,	B. S. Davis,
H. Hamel,	Wade Foil,	Geo. Spittle.
as. McCready,	Henry Roedgier,	E. W. Jordan.

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e Orr,	L. J. Cruse,	W. R. Walker,
enry Muse,	W. C. Owens,	W S. Orr,
. E. Culpepper,	J. H. Wallace.	C S. Renz,
W. Arnold,	Stone Parks,	W. J. Harman,

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Gurney Clapp, Chas. Archie, C. A. Davis.

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W. F. Flemmings, Lee V. Butner, Se'y C. J. Clapp,
C. T. Fuller, C. G. Benton.

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[illegible]rank White,	Chap. Bordenhammer	H. C. Valentine,
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[illegible]. M. Tuttle,	A. A. Dean,	J. A. L. Miller,
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[illegible]. L. Long,	Jno. A. Gilliam,	Lewis F. Evans,
[illegible]. M. Peyden,	F. A. Hines,	R. E. Shelton,
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[illegible]. J. Gales,	Lewis Thomas.	D. C. Martin,
[illegible]. W. Alred,	S. J. Lamb,	Wilson Thompson.
[illegible]. L. Hooper,	J. H. Holmes, Sec'y	J. W. Dry.
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[illegible]. J. Stultz,	Robt. Bryant.	W. W. Griffith,
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red. McDonald, Chester Prince, W. O. Gattis,
dwin Gulley, Jno. Derrs, Herbert Weil,
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W. O. Benton,
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Marcus Jones
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B, H. Parker,
Henry McKee,
T. B. Heartt,
Alex. Kreth,
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W. A. Linehan,
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W. E. Jones.
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PROGRAMME.

TUESDAY, JULY 22, 1902.

RECEPTION OF DELEGATES AND VISITING FIREMEN.

11:00.—Convention called to order by the President.
Prayer.
Address of Welcome.
Response.
Regular Order of Business.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 1902.

9:00 a. m.—Street Parade.
11:00 a. m.—Engine Contest.
2:00 p. m.—Horse Hose Wagon Race.
5:00 p. m.—Champion Reel Races.
8:00 p. m.—Band Contest.

THURSDAY, JULY 24, 1902.

9:00 a. m.—Championship Reel Team Contest.
11:00 a. m.—Hand Reel Contest.
2:00 p. m.—Grab Reel Contests.
3:30 p. m.—Special Feature Races.

PRIZE LIST.

STATE.

ENGINE CONTEST.

Quick Steaming	First Prize	$ 50.00
Quick Steaming	Second Prize	25.00
Long Distance	First Prize	50.00
Long Distance	Second Prize	30.00
Long Distance	Third Prize	20.00

HORSE HOSE WAGON RACE.

First Prize	$ 85.00
Second Prize	50.00
Third Prize	25.00

HAND REEL RACE.

First Prize	$ 75.00
Second Prize	50.00
Third Prize	25.00

GRAB REEL CONTEST.

First Prize	$ 40.00
Second Prize	25.00
Third Prize	15.00

JUNIOR HAND REEL CONTEST.

First Prize	$ 25.00
Second Prize	15.00

HOOK AND LADDER CONTEST.

First Prize	$100.00
Second Prize	50.00
Third Prize	25.00
Egg Race	$2.50
Hurdle Race	2.50
Sack Race	2.50
Wheelbarrow Race	2.50
Individual Foot Race	Gold Medal

PROCEEDINGS

—OF THE—

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—OF THE—

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GOLDSBORO MEETING, JULY 26-28, 1898.

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DURHAM MEETING, AUGUST 11-13, 1903.

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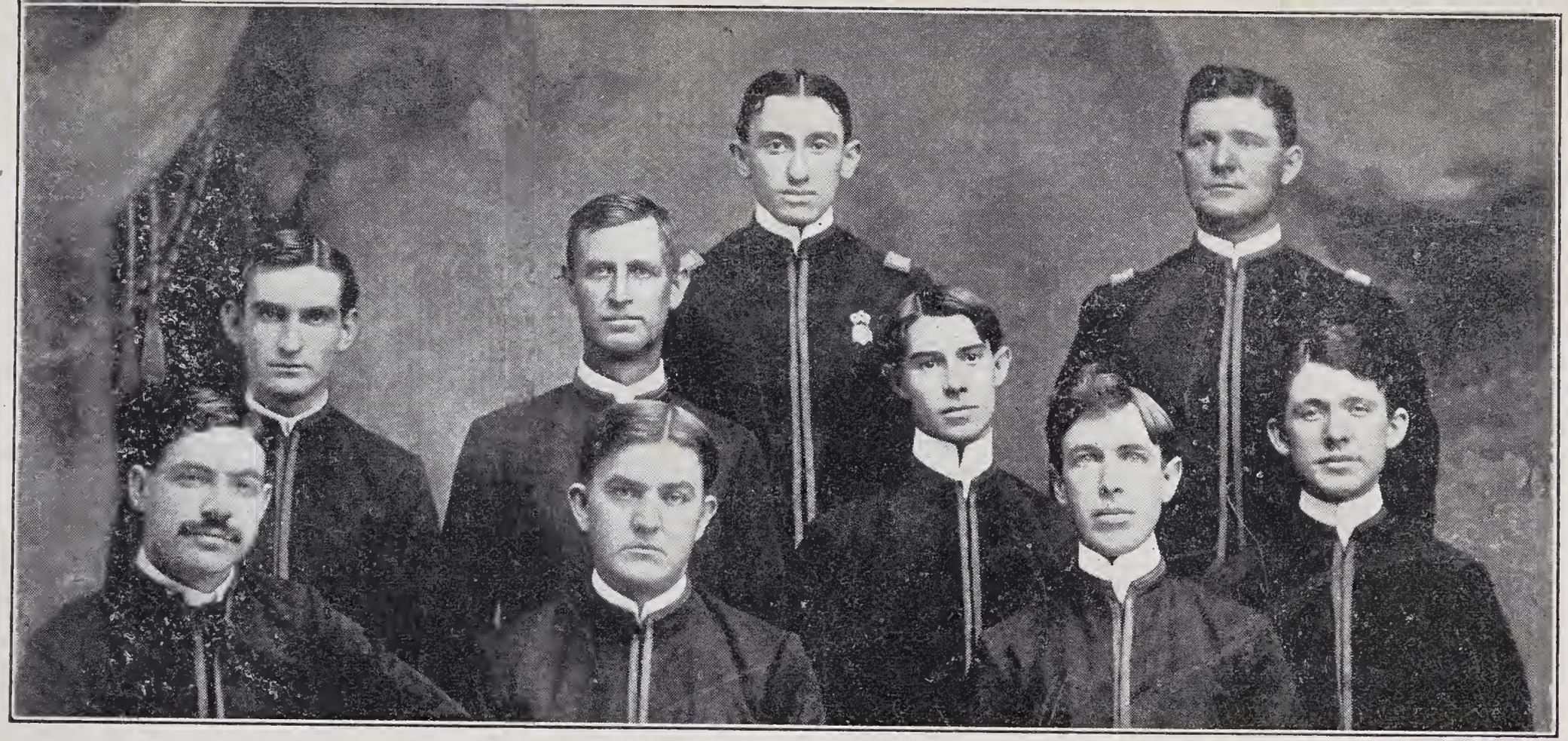

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PROCEEDINGS.

The Sixteenth Annual Convention of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, was convened at Durham, N. C., on Tuesday, August 11th, 1903, at 11 o'clock A. M.

President McNeill:

Gentlemen of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association and Citizens of Durham:

It is my pleasure and my duty as president of this organization to call this convention to order, and I would ask the Rev. Mr. Beaman to invoke the blessings of the grand High Chief upon our deliberations

Rev. R. C. Beaman:

Oh Heavenly Father we do acknowledge thee in all our ways that thou mayest direct our goings, for in Thee we live and move and have our being. Thou art our God. Life is not a question of our cleverness, or scheming or planning, or thougthfulness, and we would undertake nothing upon which we cannot invoke Thy blessing. We would commit ourselves into Thy hands that we may learn the real meaning and the Divine value of the fireman's life. We seek Thy guidance this morning that today may be recognized to us as God's day of opportunity and God's day of service. We bless Thee for these brave, strong men who give their lives unto an unselfish service and who constitute such an important and valuable element in all of our communities. They take their lives in their own hands and they expose themselves to great danger that they may serve others any hour, and because of these services which they are called to render, and because of the duty they are called upon to perform, they are sometimes exposed to great temptation: have Thou their lives in Thy keeping, make them strong not only to serve in the hour of peril, but strong to resist in the moment of temptation: may they be manly men, may they show a high type of moral manhood and character in every community, so that they may be heroes in that great moment when the storms of temptation beat upon the foundation. And now Lord, they are among us, may we find hospitality and good-will, and

when they are gone may we be glad that they have been among us and may they show to us a type of manhood while they are our guests that they shall have nothing to regret when they have departed from us, and we shall have the best memories to cherish of them when they shall leave. We bless Thee for the protection they afford us, our wives and our children, and do Thou keep us and keep them in all the ways of life and may they be the objects of Thy care. Bless the Association, and may all of them be precious in Thy sight. We ask it all in the name of the Great Head of all of us, Jesus Christ the King. Amen.

President McNEILL:

Gentlemen of the Convention:

I have the honor to present to you Capt. J. F. Freeland, the honorable Mayor of the progressive, up-to-date city of Durham.

MR. FREELAND:

Mr. President, Gentlemen of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association:

Not being a speaking man myself, we have one here who does nothing but speak. I wish to introduce to you a gentleman born and reared in the dear old State of North Carolina, and who is honored and respected by every man, woman and child in this community. I now have the pleasure of introducting to you Mr. Jas. S. Manning.

MR. MANNING:

Mr. President, Gentlemen of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am afraid after I have finished you will see that the Mayor of the city has paid me an undeserved compliment.

I beg to say that the city of Durham extends to the Firemen's Association of North Carolina, a cordial and hearty greeting. Some few years ago it was the honor and pleasure of the town of Durham to welcome you within its precincts; today, the city of Durham opens itself to you wide. At the end of twelve years, more than a decade, we point with pride to the progress we have made, we have grown from town to city, we have grown in name, and in fact along all lines the city of Durham has progressed. We point with special pride, (and I name it first because we are all proud of it) to our magnificent public school system where the children of this city receive as good an education as can be had in the State of North Carolina or anywhere else: we point with pride to our

rowing and increasing commercial importance; we point with ride to the development of our manufacturing interests; we point he finger of pride to our college that educates the boys and girls f the State. Along every line our city has grown, our city has rogressed, and in this march of progress, Mr. President, the fire epartment of the city of Durham has kept pace. I remember, nd I am not an old man either,) I remember many years ago when he city purchased a chemical engine; it was painted red and yelow and we looked upon it with wonder and we all wanted to see hat chemical engine work, and waited impatiently for a fire to e that engine put it out. Well, after a while the fire came, and fter that fire, that chemical engine ceased. From the chemical ngine, the fire department of the city of Durham has now, and resents it to the notice of the State Firemen's Association, a eamer and a system of water protection modern in all of its apointments and equipments, and in addition, better than that and perior to that, we present to the State Firemen's Association vo companies of gallant fire laddies as ever fought fire or ever sked their lives. Mr. President, I feel sort of at a loss to know ow to address such a body as this Association, composed of young en who at the tap of the alarm, quit business, rouse from sleep, nd without a thought of self but thinking only of others and others' operty, they buckle on their armour and risk their lives to save operty and life. I would not be doing my duty, Mr. President, if did not say to these gallant men that the city of Durham opens them wide, and opens to them widest, its doors, and gentlemen, the name of the city of Durham and the City Council, I bid you cordial and hearty welcome to the city.

President McNeill:

r. Mayor, Mr. Speaker:

It is the pride of the North Carolina State Firemen's Associaon that we have in our membership gentlemen representing every ass of the highest citizenship of North Carolina, and I have the nor to present to you Hon. A. H. Boyden, of Salisbury, who will pond to your address of welcome.

Mr. Boyden:

dies and Gentlemen, and the Glorious Volunteer Firemen of North Carolina:

It is my pleasure to be with you today. I am out of my sick bed to be here, and I say to you gentlemen, that I appreciate every word that has fallen from the lips of our gallant friend. I unfortu-

nately come from an old town 150 years old, and have unfortunat ly lived there and seen the glorious opportunities flit by. Toda I stand upon soil not quite 20 years old : what do I see ? Every o portunity that has been offered this city has been taken advan age of. By whom ? By progressive, broad-minded, live, generou men, that have pushed every movement forward, and today we ar welcomed here by the greatest, hustling, bustling town in Nort Carolina. I myself have scarcely been here an hour, and yet have been overpowered with kindness and courtesy, and I wish t say to every citizen here today from Durham, I thank you gentl men, and I trust that this shall be a glorious meeting, and whe the time comes for adjournment, there will come but one cry fro the lips of the North Carolina firemen, "God bless Durham, ha not she done great things for the firemen, Hurrah for Durham."

President McNeill :

Mr. Mayor, Mr. Speaker :

One of our honored citizens is not enough to speak to y gentlemen, and we are going to offer you another mayor from a other of our fire department towns, Mayor Hood, of Goldsboro.

Mayor Hood :

Mr. President, Mr. Mayor, Gentlemen of the Durha Council, Gentlemen of the State Firemen's A sociation :

To be here is sufficient proof of the appreciation of the gre honor that you have conferred upon me in extending me an invit tion to respond to this very cordial, hearty and sincere address welcome that has been afforded us today from the gentlemen Durham. Not only speaking for Goldsboro, but for the fireme throughout North Carolina, I can say to you, as my distinguish friend has just said, that we appreciate the hearty welcome th they have given us.

We know that in all North Carolina that Durham is keepi pace with the best * * * I appreciate this opportunity M President, and I can say for these people that we are glad to be your midst, and we know when we leave here that we will ha only pleasant memories of the past.

I hardly know how to express mysely in regard to the firem and the wonderful work of this organization.

President McNEILL:

Gentlemen of the Convention:

In the convention at our last meeting in Raleigh, we were doubly honored by having a distinguished Divine to congratulate us and to speak to us from his standpoint. It gives me a special pleasure to present to you today another distinguished Divine who is one of our comrades, and who goes with us to fires. I mean the Chaplain of the Elizabeth City fire department, Rev. Mr. Williams.

Mr. WILLIAMS:

Mr. President, Fellow-comrades:

I am truly glad to see so many men that want water. I think sir, that our success would be a failure without water: for the past six years, I have heard more about whiskey than any other liquid, and I am consequently glad to see so much interest being taken in the necessity of water. The Mayor, who has just made his exit, referred to the death of one of our comrades in attending to his duty. Last May, I was in a cemetery in Virginia and came across a monument which impressed me with joy, not that so many men had died, but that men of our persuasion are willing to risk their lives in doing their duty. This monument had beneath it the remains of twenty firemen who had been killed at one fire. The thought occured to me then was this: "Greater love can no man show than that he lay down his life for his friends." I have had incorporated in the Elizabeth City by-laws of the Constitution, second article these words: "Duty to God and duty to man." Our badge has on its face "Duty."

There has been said to be a true and a false idea of brotherhood. That man whom we can help because we hope to be helped by him, whom we are willing to treat because he will treat us, that is the false idea. The true idea is that man whom we can help no matter who he is, that is Christ's idea.

A few months ago, your President wrote me and he stated he was glad that one man was not only fighting hell fire, but was fighting fire on earth too. I wish to correct him on that. He being an Episcopalian ought to know that his church has never taught such things as hell fire and damnation. We teach something else, but sir, I would be afraid to come here to this assembly and teach such doctrine. A negro preacher who taught that hell fire was so cold that if you were to drop a blast furnace into its midst it would freeze, was asked why he taught such a radically changed doctrine, replied, that if he had said hell was hot, some of his old rheumatic negroes would desire to go there. So, Mr. President, if I

should try to convince our members of the existence of hell-fire some of our old veterans would wish to go there to try to put it out. (Applause.) If there be such fire existing, let us try to do our duty on earth, and put it out in that way. Let us go up, not down, let us go forward and not backward. Let us move in the direction of right and let our motto be "Duty."

President McNeill:

Mr. Mayor, Gentlemen of the City Council of Durham, and my Comrades of the Durham Fire Department:

Representing as I do officially the firemen of the entire State allow me to state personally that coming as we do from all sections of the State, from Elizabeth City and from Asheville, from the west and from the east, let me extend to you not only our thanks and appreciation for the courtesies you have extended to us, but for the pleasant words with which you have greeted us. We thank you gentlemen, and we shall try while guests in your city, by our deportment to show you that among the firemen of North Carolina you will find the truest and the very best element of our State citizenship. Gentlemen we thank you.

The opening ceremonies have been completed; I now announce to this convention that we will now proceed to business and I would like to say to all present that the business sessions of this convention are open to all, ladies and gentlemen, everybody. We have a good many things to discuss and any of you who would like to remain we would be glad to have you do so. Today is entirely a business day; the only exhibition that is on our program is that of the Charleston Pompier Corps at 5 o'clock this afternoon. It is an exhibition of the life saving crew and will take place at the Imperial Tobacco warehouse. That is the only thing today, until tomorrow, it is a question of business.

The convention will now come to order. Next in order is the appointment of a committee on credentials, so that we can find out who are here. How shall that committee be appointed?

It was moved, seconded and carried that the President appoint a committee on credentials.

President McNeill:

I will appoint committee on credentials, C. C. Cooper, of Rocky Mount; J. Frank Maddry, of Durham; W. F. Richardson, of Newbern; F. C. Meinung, of Salem; Walter C. Woollcott, of Raleigh; Jno. M. Julian, of Salisbury; Chas. Schnibben, of Wilmington.

The Secretary will now call the roll of departments, and as hey are called, delegates will please present their credentials so hat they can go before that committee which will make its report t the opening of the next session.

Secretary then called the roll:

Credentials were handed into committee.

President McNEILL:

Are there any members present who have not been called?

MR. MORGAN:

Spencer has not been called.

Secretary VONGLAHN:

Spencer is not entered, the Secretary has never received it, it ust be with the Salisbury company.

MR. MORGAN:

There are two miles between the two towns, we are known as pencer, we are entered as Spencer, and the men are from Spencer

President McNEILL:

Are there any new fire departments who desire to enter? (Chapel Hill, Sandford were enrolled)

MR.———, of Charlotte:

I wish to say that some of the delegates are not here, are out town.

President McNEILL:

They can be received later, but they must be here to go before e credential committee.

MR. JUILAN, of Salisbury:

A number of delegates have not arrived yet, and suppose the edential committee shall not act until say 7 o'clock this evening

President McNEILL:

It is a question for the convention. If you will take a suggeson, you will realize that we must have a report from the crential committee in order to organize: otherwise, we are simply nob. Let them report and then be continued.

MR. JULIAN:

Your suggestion that the committee on credentials be con tinued is right, until we get in the report from that committee we are nothing.

President McNEILL:

The credential committee will now retire and make up their report.

Gentlemen of the Convention:

By the law which was enacted two years ago, this association is authorized to work in connection with the insurance commissioners for the purpose of decreasing the fire waste in the State. We have one among us connected with this work, who will talk to us today, and I wish you to give him your attention. He is practically a Fire Marshal under the laws of the State.

I present to you Mr. Jas. R. Young, and I bespeak for him your careful attention.

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Convention:

It gives me pleasure to meet with you here today and I esteem it an honor to address this convention, composed of the brave firemen of North Carolina. I shall not take up your valuable time and weary you with a speech today. The weather is entirely too hot for speech-making with any degree of comfort for either the speaker or his audience. At your last annual convention about twelve months ago, in the city of Raleigh, I had the honor of appearing before you and talking to you about our insurance laws and your relation to, and responsibility under them. I then called your attention to the fact that the State of North Carolina, had honored you by passing a law under the leadership of your worthy president, whose provisions made every chief of a fire department in the State, a State officer. I gave you then the provisions of our law by which it is made the duty of the firemen of North Carolina to aid investigating all fires of doubtful or suspicious origin. Recognizing the fact that no man could be a true fireman who did not have the nerve and manhood to stand up and face any danger, your state has invoked your aid in her attempt to do away with the fire waste and save both life and property by having the origin of every fire looked into. It is made your duty to aid me in this work and you are well fitted for the work by your character and knowledge. The responsibility and work placed upon you and me in this matter is great, but the benefit to accrue to our "Grand Old State" and her citizens, is greater and more far reaching i

s results and beneficence. The firemen of North Carolina have ways done their duty Their record is one of honor in the dis- iarge of great responsibilities amid trials and dangers. It is an onor to be one of such a body of men as compose this convention. entlemen, the State of North Carolina has recognized this, and y her legislature has gone a step further They have made it ot only the duty of you Mr. President, and the other fire chiefs in orth Carolina, to face danger in putting out fires and to brave ersonal discomforts and inconvenience in looking into the orgin all fires, but they have put in your hands the duty of protecting our communities from conflagrations and fire waste, by inspect- g all premises in our cities and towns It takes a brave and true an to face the dangers incident to fighting fires—but these and her qualities are needed for you to do your duty under the law investigating the origin of all fires and aiding in the conviction those guilty of arson: but in the duty imposed upon you by the st legislature it takes a higher sense of duty and a great moral urage. It is now your duty to examine and carefully inspect the emises in your city or town and to fearlessly condemn anything und to be dangerous from a fire point of view to the lives and operty of your community.

Under the law it is the duty of the chief of fire department to spect every building in his city or town once in twelve months. is required that you go into these houses and point out any ngers likely to cause fires and to have them removed. The work a heavy one and carries with it a great responsibility, but the nefits to be derived are greater. I ask your aid in the future en as you have given it to me in the past. I ask that you go to ur homes and let your people know what is your duty in regard the inspection of buildings. I ask you, Mr. President, and the icers and members of this Association, that you will have passed this convention a resolution setting forth the duties of your iefs of departments under the law and calling attention of the oper officers of your cities and towns to their duties, and asking at they will see that they are performed and that the officer is operly paid for the work. It might be well to call their atten- on to the penalty of $200.00 for the non-performance of their ties as well as for their not properly paying them.

Mr. President, I will not longer trespass upon your time and tience. I thank you and the firemen of North Carolina, for your l in the past, and feel that I can rely upon it in the future. If I n at any time serve you, call upon me and it will be my pleasure respond. I thank you for your attention, and wish you a pleas- t and profitable meeting.

President McNeill:

Gentlemen of the Convention:

I hope that you will carefully consider the words of Mr. Youn you will find more or less of the same sentiments expressed in m report, and the suggestion made by our insurance commissione that this convention of the State Association pass a resolution i accordance with the sentiments he has expressed, is a good on and a very important one, and I hope to see this convention tak the matter up and pass such a resolution before we adjourn.

While we are waiting for the report of the committee on cr dentials, I wish to make a suggestion. I know myself, goin around attending meeting like this, either political, or when I g to the National Association of firemen, that I always feel a coo ness between myself and my fellow members that I have neve been personally introduced to. Now, while we are waiting for th report from the credential committee, I suggest that for ten fifteen minutes we will resolve ourselves into a social session, that the gentlemen from Asheville and Elizabeth City can get t gether, be introduced and know each other. Many of you do n know one-third of the members of the Association. I suggest no that while you are receiving your delegate's badges, that eve member convert himself into a committee of one to make eve member present acquainted with each other. Our former co rade, ex-chief W. C. Bradsher, has presented us with 10,000 cigar cigarettes and tobacco, and has also sent to room No. 12 so n liquid refreshments. There being no objection we will take a r cess to meet each other, go up to a fellow and tell him you kno he is a clever fellow because he looks like it.

It was moved, seconded and carried that a recess o ten minutes be taken.

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President McNeill:

Fifteen minutes is exhausted. Let the convention come t order. I am very anxious to get this social feature that we hav just started here, a permanency in our meetings, so that eve fireman may make himself known to his brother fireman: don wait to be introduced. You have no idea how pleasant it will b to meet and know each other. Let this socia feature contin during the whole meeting of this tournament: try to remember I always rember a face, but sometimes forget a name, but I nev forget a kindness.

There is a motion before the house that it is now 1 clock, and that we adjourn to meet again at 3 o'clock P. [. Are you ready for the question ? It is moved and econded that this convention now adjourn until 3 o'clock his afternoon. All in favor make it known by saying aye." Convention stands adjourned.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention called to order by the President at 3 clock P. M.

President McNEILL :

Convention will please come to order. The first business before e convention will be the report of the committee on credentials. the committee ready to report ? The chairman will please read e report.

Secretary VonGlahn read the report of the committee credentials, as follows :

"The Credential Committee begs leave of the convention to re-rt as follows : There are 49 companies properly represented. ong which are 4 new companies, as follows : Lion Company, of nford : Independent No. 2, of Salisbury ; Chapel Hill Hose Co., of apel Hill : North Side Co. No. 1, of High Point. The committee ommends that if there is but one of the regular delegates for any npany in the convention hall at any time, that he be entitled to st the vote of his company. In the absence of delegates, then alternates or any one of them be entitled to cast the vote of his npany. The following companies are represented by those op-ite the name of the company :"

(Signed) CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE.

List of Companies Represented.

Rescue Hook and Ladder Co.	Asheville	Departmen
Hose Co. No. 1	"	"
Pioneer Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 2	Charlotte	"
Charlotte Real Team No. 1	"	"
Eagle Hose Co. No. 4	Salem	"
Rough and Ready Fire Co	"	"
Eagle Hose Co. No. 7	Greensboro	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
Westend Hose Co. No. 5	"	"
Greensboro Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	"	"
Southside Hose Co. No. 4	"	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 2	Winston	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	"	"
Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	Wilmington	"
Hose Co. No. 3	"	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 2	"	"
Chemical Co. No. 1	"	"
Hose and Reel Co. No. 1	Concord	"
Newbern Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Newbern	"
Atlantic Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	"	"
Wilson Fire Co. No. 3	Wilson	"
Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	Tarboro	"
Hose Co. No. 1	Durham	"
Hose Co. No. 2	"	"
Chicora Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Fayetteville	"
Fayetteville Fire Co	"	"
Fire Co. No. 1	Goldsboro	"
Eclipse Steam Fire Engine Co	"	"
Electric Reel Co	"	"
Hose Co. No. 1	Salisbury	"
Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	"	"
Independent Co. No. 2	"	"
Nelson Hose Co. No. 1	Henderson	"
Fire Co. No. 1	Elizabeth City	"
Fire Co. No. 1	Spencer	"
Phoenix Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	Washington	"
Ocean Fire Company	"	"
Caswell S. F. Co. No. 1	Kinston	"
Capitol Hose Co	Raleigh	"
Rescue Co	"	"
Hook and Ladder Co	"	"
Steam Fire Engine Co. No. 1	Rocky Mount	"
Hook and Ladder Co. No. 1	Southern Pines	"
Hose Co. No. 1	" "	"
Hose Co. No. 2	" "	"
Lion Co	Sanford	"
Chapel Hill Hose Co	Chapel Hill	"
North Side Co. No. 1	High Point	"

49 Companies—98 Delegates.

President McNEILL:

The chair will suggest to the secretary that the list of chiefs nd assistant chiefs, superintendent of water-works and fire alarms as not been called Secretary please call the roll of the chiefs, ssistant chiefs, etc.

Secretary called the roll of chiefs, assistant chiefs, etc.

You have heard the report of the committee on credentials. Vhat shall be done with it?

It has been moved and seconded that the report of the ommittee on credentials which has been read, be accepted; ll in favor of that make it known by saying "aye."

Report of the committee has been accepted, and those who ave been named as delegates have a right to vote on all questions oming before the convention. Let me call your attention to this: Every fire company is entitled to 2 votes upon every question: eve-y chief of fire department to 1: assistant chiefs to 1: superintend-nt of water works to 1: superintendent of fire alarms to 1. All uestions coming up before the convention will be settled by a ote in accordance.

Salisbury reported that their superintendent was not alled for.

Secretary VonGLAHN:

Is he in the convention hall?

President McNEILL:

The next business would be the reading of the minutes of the revious meeting, and the chair would suggest that all delegates quip themselves with a copy of the proceedings of the last con-ention. Most of you have had them sent to you: if there are any rrors there, now is the time to correct them. Please get them so ou can have them for reference.

The next business before the meeting now is the reading of the inutes of the previous meeting. As you can readily see we are ot supposed to take the whole list, it would take up too much of ur time, but if in reading them over you have found any errors, nything printed that did not occur, anything not as it did occur Raleigh, any changes must be made before they are approved. ow is the time to say so, or otherwise a motion will be in order appove them as they are printed. The chair is open to hear any

objections or any faults or corrections that may be necessary in the minutes of the last meeting. Take a few minutes.

MR. JULIAN, of Salisbury:

I move the minutes of the last meeting be approved.

President NcNEILL:

It has been moved and seconded that the minutes be approved. The chair would suggest that a minute or two be allowed for all to see them.

MR. LUMSDEN, of Raleigh:

The time I see printed here gives Raleigh more than she deserves. Rescue Hose Co. No. 2 is given 30 2-5, it should be 36 2-5.

President McNEILL:

The chair will explain. In printing the time on page 95, they have the Rescue Hose Co. as having made the hose wagon race in 30 2-5, something never done before; it should be 36 2-6, and for the correction of the record, Mr. Lumsden moves that it be changed to read 36 2-5. You have heard the motion.

It was moved and seconded and carried that the time of "Rescue" of Raleigh be changed to 36 2-5.

MR. MORGAN, of Spencer:

In record of hand reel contest, we find time given Capitol Hose Co., of Raleigh 22 1-5, should be 25 1-5.

President McNEILL:

Any other changes to be made?

Upon motion made, seconded and carried, the name of Salem Co., on page 96, was changed from "Rough and Ready Co." to the "Eagle Hose Co." in both grab and hand reel.

President McNEILL:

Any other changes?

MR. MORGAN, of Spencer:

On page 32, the minutes say that we have organized 3 companies and 30 colored; we would like to make a change.

President McNEILL:

On page 32 correct the membership to 30 white instead of 30 colored. Let it read 3 whites, 30 members.

Any other changes to be made?

MR. ——— ———

On page 18, of the proceeding, it reads: "The following chiefs and assistant chiefs answered the roll call," why are the names omitted?

President McNEILL:

The Secretary will please explain the matter to the gentleman.

Secretary VONGLAHN:

I cannot explain it except that it was left out in some way.

President McNEILL:

The chair will state that it is a correction we can hardly make now because it was overlooked by the stenographer in making up the report.

MR. ——— ———

On page 32 it does not give the number of companies either white or colored in Winston.

President McNEILL:

The trouble was with Winston. She did not make a report last year. I would suggest that when the report is made for this year that you make it your business to see that Winston gets properly reported.

MR. WINTON:

Wilson is not down here at all.

President McNEILL:

The trouble is with your own department. Your officers failed to answer the courteous request to them with a stamped envelope for reply.

President McNEILL :

It has been moved and seconded that the minutes of the previous meeting held at Raleigh, with the exceptions that have been agreed upon by this convention here today, be adopted as a whole

(Motion carried, minutes adopted.)

President McNEILL :

The next business is collection of dues.

Secretary VonGLAHN :

Everybody paid in.

President McNEILL :

Secretary reports all dues paid in. The next business is the report of your officers and committees. Report of the President is next in order.

President McNeill read his annual report as follows :

President's Report.

To the Officers and Members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association :

Gentlemen :

Again it becomes my duty as the chief executive official of your State organization to render to you a detailed report of the business management of your Asssociation affairs, both financial and otherwise, and to make to you any suggestions for your future guidance as the experience of the past may suggest.

As our membership now consists of practically every fire organization in the State, we are to be congratulated upon our growth and the opportunity thus given us to further advance the material interests of our fellow-citizens.

Representing as we do an element of our State citizenship that is truly representative of our every industry, profession and development, it is only necessary that we fully realize OURSELVES the importance of our State organization, to have it make an impression upon our people that will be mutually beneficial to all. That the good that we have done and are doing is fast being appreciated, is amply evidenced by the interest that is being taken in our deliberations by our highest city officials who are now becoming as regular in their attendance upon our annual meeting as

ıy other member of our Association.

While the recent laws that were enacted requiring every in-ɔrporated town and hamlet to organize for fire protection, have ɔt been complied with as I would like to be able to report, still hen the fact is taken into consideration that we have had no one ; yet whose especial business it was to personally visit and impress ɔon the local authorities the actual necessity for such laws, the ɜneral results are about as satisfactory as we could expect them ı be. I would recommend that your Legislative committee be in-ructed to have such supplementary legislation enacted as will ake it the especial business of some official to see that those laws ·e enforced. It could be done either through the office of the In-rance Commissioner, or through some official of the Association ·ing clothed with the proper authority. The expense would be ıall in comparison with the benefits to the property interests of e State. The average citizen, nor newspaper editor has ever yet ught on to the value of an efficient fire department from a dol-rs and cents point of view. Too many of them look upon us as a ɔod thing to call upon when they are in personal trouble, but ink we are of no especial value when our actual services are not eded. They never seem to realize that the mere FACT OF OUR XISTENCE is worth far more to them IN MONEY than the value of the property that we actually save. For instance, note the ference in the premium rate per $100.00 here in Durham, where ere is a good efficient department and in the neighboring town Hillsboro, where there is practically no protection. Suppose e citizens of Durham had to pay the same rate per $100.00 as llsboro, why they would kick so hard that little "Depot business" ɔuld be merely an incident, yet they can see the 10 cents that a e department costs and they can't see the 100 cents that it act-lly saves to the people in insurance premiums, independent of e actual property saved from loss—now, where we can throw ɔund all of the urban property of the State, the protection of a od local organization, then the DECREASED fire loss will be so eat that Insurance companies doing business upon business prin-ɔles will be compelled to make a pronounced reduction in accord-ce or allow their business to pass from them into mutual compa-s that will do business upon plans in existence in this and other ıtes more in the interest of the property owners.

It is my friends, this BUSINESS interest that I hope to see made e of the chief features not only in our future discussions, but in e actual work of our Association.

Tournaments and tests of skill are very beneficial, pleasant, tertaining and in every respect desirable, and add very much to e pleasure of our annual meetings and to the discipline and ef-

ficiency of the service, but I impress upon every member that the is a question of cold business connected with our convention th is of far more real value to us and to those who are dependent on us. In these practical days DOLLARS are more attractive the average man than GLORY, and we must show to our fellow-ci zens our real value if we would be fully appreciated. I would worry you with statistices in a report of this nature, and will th fore only refer you to the reports of our Insurance Commission showing the premium rate in towns having NO ORGANIZED FI PROTECTION, to illustrate my meaning. It is only through an ganization like ours. that such things can be properly brought fore the people and the proper results obtained.

When all of our villages and towns become large cities a have paid fire departments, then will our work not be needed, until then, we have a great work before us, and I again urge up every member of this Association to give the question of fire "P tection and fire Prevention" his most carefnl consideration, and further do all in his power to advance the organized existence fire companies in every village and hamlet in the State and further urge upon them the importance of becoming members this Association.

The records of our State departments continue to show a gree of efficiency fully up to that of the best paid service in land, as has been evidenced by the actual losses during the p year, there being no record of any serious loss in any departme members of this Association. Some small towns have suffered as they always do and always will until they provide themsel with a reasonable amount of fire protection.

We have also been especially fortunate during the past ye in that there has been no loss of life either from the daring of members or from the misfortune of our fellow-citizens. All ca of injuries or sickness of our memberships have been carefu looked after and payments made under the rules governing Relief fund. I am glad to report the financial affairs of the sociation in a good and satisfactory condition. We have $2,079 to the credit of the Relief fund, and $396.50 to the credit of General fund. I have credited and ordered paid since our meeting, 47 claims amounting to $1,556.50. Every claim that been properly presented has been adjusted and paid. For the tails of which I refer you to your Secretary and Treasurer's ports.

Following the same idea, adopted two years ago, I again s a special invitation to every Mayor and Chairman of fire commit in the State asking them to meet us and join in our deliberatio I am pleased to report the presence of several of our hono

ıyors, notably: Mayor Boyden, of Salisbury; Mayor Eaton, of inston; Mayor Hood, of Goldsboro, Mayor McMillan, of Fayette-le: Mayor Stewart, of Washington: and doubtless others who ve not yet given me the opportunity to express our organized preciation of their presence here with us.

The water works Superintendents being by virtue of their office gible to membership in our convention, have also called a meet- of their own organization to meet at this time with us, thus wing the interest that they take in our organized existence l importance. Let me also recommend to every member of this ly that they extend to the meeting of the police Chiefs called ether for the first time in this State, courtesy and assistance sible to enable them to perfect an organization that promises ch usefulness to that important branch of our municipal service. my report to you in 1901, I used the following expressions in re- d to myself, which fully expresses my sentiments that I ask ır indulgence for repeating them in this report. "I trust you l pardon me for a personal allusion. Let me first say that I most tefully appreciate the confidence shown in me by you in be- wing upon me for seven (now nine) years in succession, the hest honor in your gift. As is well known to every member to Association I have never either directly or indirectly, solicited ıer my first election or re-election to this position. This honor come to me solely from your own volition: I have given to your vices my best endeavors. My aim has always been to promote r every interest, and to improve the conditions of the fire ser- and the firemen of the State. I am conscious of having faith- y tried to do my duty: I therefore again, assure you that I am dy to turn over to my successor the executive management of organization, that can reflect nothing but honor upon the man may be so honored."

In conclusion my friends, let me congratulate you upon your ndid organization and upon the work you are doing. Let noth- bar your annual progress until you have reached the limit of an endeavor. Counselling the utmost harmony in our delibera- s and personally asking every member to assist in making this 's convention and tournament the pleasantest, most profitable most enjoyable of all previous events, I am,

Fraternally yours to commend,

JAS. D. MCNEILL.

President MCNEILL:

What shall be done with the President's report?

President's report was unanimously adopted.

Secretary VonGlahn then read his annual report.

Secretary's Report.

Wilmington, N. C., August 11. 190

To the Officers and Members of the North Carolina St
Firemen's Association:

Gentlemen:

In making you this my third annual report, I desire to congra late you on the steady growth we are maintaining as year by ye we are increasing our membership, due a great deal to the zealo ness of our President. It is my pleasure to report additions of co panies from Chapel Hill, High Point and an additional one fr Salisbury and at present our membership consists of 51 compan representing 26 departments as follows:

Asheville	2 companies,	30 m
Burlington	1 company,	12
Charlotte	3 companies,	45
Concord	1 company,	21
Chapel Hill	1 "	6
Durham	2 companies,	29
Elizabeth City	1 company,	26
Fayettville	2 companies,	24
Greensboro	4 "	41
Goldsboro	3 "	56
Henderson	1 company,	16
High Point	1 "	12
Kinston	1 "	9
Monroe	1 "	39
Newbern	2 companies,	31
Raleigh	3 "	79
Rocky Mount	1 company,	24
Salisbury	3 companies,	24
Salem	2 "	39
Southern Pines	3 "	22
Spencer	1 company,	12
Tarboro	1 "	33
Wilmington	5 companies,	31
Winston	3 "	60
Washington	2 "	37
Wilson	1 company,	3

With a total of 741 members, also 21 chiefs, 14 assistant chi 2 superintendents fire alarm, 3 superintendents water works, m ing a grand total of 794 members. I have collected during the y $607 59 for which I hold Treasurer's receipt. I have drawn vouchers from the General fund amounting to $749.10, as follow

I have also drawn 47 vouchers from the Relief fund amounting to $1,556.50 as follows:

Warrant No.	1—J. D. McNeill, expenses, 1902 convention..	$ 11 70
"	2—W. C. VonGlahn, expenses, 1092 convention	13 10
"	3—T. A. Green, expenses, 1092 convention....	6 50
"	4—W. C. VonGlahn, official starter....	25 00
"	5—L. J. Taylor, Statistician and expenses...	45 55
"	6—Mrs. M. S. Calvert, Stenographer, 1902 convention	35 00
"	7—W. C. VonGlahn, first quarter's salary....	25 00
"	8—J. D. McNeill, first quarter's salary...	37 50
"	9—H. Mahler's Sons, championship prize.....	50 00
"	10—Wilmington Stamp Works, printing.....	2 25
"	11—J. D. McNeill, expenses to Raleigh, $7 00: printing and stamps, $9 00	16 00
"	12—J. D. McNeill, second quarter's salary.....	37 50
"	13—W. C. VonGlahn, second quarter's salary.	25 00
"	14—W. C. VonGlahn, stamps.....	5 00
"	15—J. D. McNeill, third quarter's salary.....	37 50
"	16—W. C. VonGlahn, third quarter's salary...	25 00
"	17—J. D. McNeill, expenses to Legislature	28 50
"	18—W. C. VonGlahn, postage on proceedings..	12 06
"	19—Wilmington Stamp Works, printing proceedings	145 50
"	20—J. D. McNeill, expenses to Dunn and Durham.....	25 00
"	21—J. D. McNeill, postage, $7 50; printing, $2 75	10 25
"	22—Jno. W. Mangum, electric starter, Raleigh	15 00
"	23—J. D. McNeill, traveling expenses, 1903 convention	49 00
"	24—J. D. McNeill, printing.....	3 25
"	25—J. D. McNeill, fourth quarter's salary....	37 50
"	26—W. C. VonGlahn, fourth quarter's salary..	25 00

I have also drawn 20 vouchers from the Benefit fund amounting to $786 50, as follows:

John L. Cook, Newbern	$ 10 00
D. M. Styron, Newbern.	20 00
L. F. Pearsall, Goldsboro	60 00
B. F. Swann, Wilmington.....	8 00
T. B. Jackson, Wilmington.....	48 00
Jas W. O'Carroll, Washington.....	62 00
J. W. Glover, Salisbury.....	20 00
C. O. Hurst, Goldsboro	25 00
H. E. Royal, Newbern	13 00

10.	T. C. Daniels Newbern	20 0
11.	J. R. Hardee, Wilmington	17 0
12.	J. W. O'Carroll, Washington	98 0
13.	E. R. Brewer, Salem	30 0
14.	Jas Tomlinson, Fayetteville	12 0
15.	E. L. Pool, Fayetteville	10 0
16.	Frank Poly, Newbern	10 0
17.	Farris Sahion, Fayetteville	11 0
18.	C. L Jones, Fayetteville	5 0
19	T. A. Green, Treasurer—salary	150 0
20	W. C. VonGlahn, printing proceedings	157 5

In conclusion I would request that some of the secretaries b more prompt in remitting their dues, as very often it causes an in dividual member to suffer by their neglect I thank you all fo your courtesies extended me during the year.

I am respectfully,

W. C. VONGLAHN,

Secretary.

President McNEILL:

The chair will state after the Treasurer makes his report tha we will refer both to a finance committee to audit the accoun and make a report to this convention. Treasurer's report now i order.

Treasurer Green then made his annual report.

Treasurer's Report.

THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATIO FOR THE FISCAL YEAR, ENDING AUGUST 11, 1903.

GENERAL FUND.

Balance on hand, July 22, 1902	$ 452
To cash received from Secretary on account dues	450
To cash received from members 10 p. c. Relief fund	117
To cash received from Relief fund, printing proceedings	157
Total receipt	$1,177

DISBURSEMENTS.

By cash paid J. D. McNeil, President Salary	$ 150 00
By cash paid W. C. VonGlahn, Secretary Salary	100 00
By cash paid L. J. Taylor, Statistician	45 50
By cash paid Mrs. M. S. Calvert Stenographer	35 00
By cash paid H. Mahler and Sons Championship Prize	50 00
By cash paid Wilmington Stamp Works, printing	145 50
By cash paid J. M. Mangum, Electric Starter	15 00
By cash paid Sundries, Printing, Traveling Expenses &c.	239 85
August 11, 1903, to Balance on hand,	396 30
Total	$ 1,177 15

RELIEF FUND.

To cash Balance on hand July 22, 1902	$ 1,761 44
To cash from B. R. Lacy, State Treasurer (State appropriation)	1,875 00
	$ 3,636 44

By paid injured firemen	Concord	$ 8 00
" " " "	Durham	70 00
" " " "	Tarboro	8 00
" " " "	Wilmington	85 00
" " " "	Goldsboro	85 00
" " " "	Washington	160 00
" " " "	Salem	226 00
" " " "	Winston	10 00
" " " "	Salisbury	64 00
" " " "	Fayetteville	79 00
" " " "	Greensboro	356 00
" " " "	New Bern	98 00
" " T. A. Green, treasurer salary		150 00
" " W. C. VonGlahn, Secretary on account printing		157 50
August 11, 1903, to Balance on hand		2,079 94
		$ 3,636 44

Respectfully Submitted,

T. A. GREEN,

Treasurer.

President McNEILL:

You have heard the report of the secretary and treasurer.

Moved and seconded that the reports of the secretary and treasurer be referred to a finance committee in this convention. How shall that committee be appointed?

It was moved, seconded and carried that the chair appoint that committee, and the chair appointed the following committee:

Jno. Miller, of Concord.
E. T. Stewart, of Washington.
M. J. O'Neil, of Henderson.
L. Weil, of Goldsboro.
H. T. Day, of Tarboro.
A. H. Raper, of Elizabeth City.
A. J. Gales, of Winston.

The next in order is the report of the statistician. Is L. J. Taylor in the house? Is there a representative from New Bern in the house?

MR. JULIAN, of Salisbury:

I would ask whether or not there will be election of officers or whether we would decide as to where the tournament will be held next year at this session?

President MCNEILL:

I think it best to let that matter take its proper course.

MR. JULIAN:

I make a motion that the first business at the evening session will be to fix the place to hold the next meeting of the association immediately following that of the election of officers.

President MCNEILL:

Before the chair puts that motion, let me read the regular order of business.

MR. JULIAN:

The reason I made that motion was that we might have a clear understanding; there is not a large attendance here now, and they that are here can make it known that the first thing to be done when this association meets tonight is to fix a place for holding the next meeting and tournament, and after that election of officers if they are not here, then it is their fault.

President McNEILL:

Under our regular order of business we are now under section and I ask that we proceed in order. I will recognize you at the oper time under the proper head. It is alright, but let me dis-se of this question. What shall be done with this statistician siness?

MR. GALES:

I would say to the gentleman from Salisbury that the place for e next meeting is already fixed, it is to be Winston.

MR. LINTON, of Salisbury:

I move that the chair appoint a committee to get a carriage d go hunt for the statistician.

President McNEILL:

It has been moved and seconded that a committee be appointed hunt for the statistician. Let me get the biggest men in the ise. You are authorized to employ a closed carriage, a hearse if essary. The chair appoints Walter Linton, "Dutch" Jones and lter Woolcott.

MR. JULIAN:

I move that the miscellaneous business of this convention ermine upon a place for holding the next meeting of the as-iation and tournament the first thing at the evening session. I l some interest in the matter. We came here to determine ut the next meeting of the association, and I am satisfied we get it; we are going to try to get it but we want a full meeting e. I make a motion Mr. President, that the first business be ction of the place for holding the next tournament.

President McNEILL:

In order to make this thing absolutely clear so that no one can understand, Mr. Julian has moved and it has been properly onded, that when we come under the head of miscellaneous busi-s which will follow the reports of the committees, that the first ness under that head at the evening session will be the selec-of a place for holding the 17th, Annual Convention and tourna t of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association. Do you understand the question? Under the head of miscellaneous bus-s, the first thing will be the settlement of that very important stion.

MR. HOLMES:

Will that come up the first thing tonight?

President MCNEILL:

It will be the first thing after the report of the committee secretary and treasurer's reports. All in favor of that moti make it known by saying "aye." Carried.

President MCNEILL:

The chair willl rule that barring the report from the c mittee that is now auditing the books of the finance committ that the first question of the evening will be the selection of place for holding the 17th Annual Convention and Tournament. see the statistician in the house. Mr. Taylor, will please make report.

Report of the statistician.

MR. COOPER, of Rocky Mount:

I move that the report be referred to the same committe.

President MCNEILL:

It has been ruled that you just read your personal report. a your detailed report be referred to the committee.

Mr. Linton, for the committee that went to hunt up the sta tician.

I report that some one got ahead of us. We went in one d and the statistician came out of the other.

President MCNEILL:

I think it was understood it was to be a cold water committe

MR. COOPER:

The expense of the whole business would have been only f glasses of soda water; I move we discharge the committee with thanks.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the commit be discharged without thanks.

MR. JULIAN:

There are several deligates leaving now. I would like to na the hour tonight.

President McNEILL:

The delegates will allow me to chide them a little. You must ay in the hall. I have got to stay here and I hope others will do e same. We can facilitate the order of business by receiving me of the reports from volunteer organizations while we are iting for that committee. or if you want to go you can adjourn.

MR. MADDRY of Durham:

I move that as we want to see the exhibition of the Pompier orps we adjourn.

MR. SCHNIBBEN:

I move that we adjourn now to Meet again at 8:30 o'clock.

President McNEILL:

It has been suggested that we make it eight o'clock

It was seconded and carried that the meeting adjourn o'clock P. M.

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NIGHT SESSION.

The meeting was called to order at 8 o'clock by President McNeill.

President McNEILL:

The convention will now come to order. When we adjourned s afternoon we adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock. The hour has ived, and the chair will announce that the convention is open l ready for business. The first business would be regularly to : for the reports of the committee that was sent to audit the orts of the Secretary and Treasurer. Is that committee ready report?

MR. MILLER, of Concord:

Yes sir.

President McNEILL:

The convention will please give Mr. Miller your attention.

Mr. Miller then read the following report:

"We the Finance Committee appointed at this meeting to

examine the books and vouchers of the treasurer have carefu
examined the same and find them correct.

(Signed)

Maurice J. O'Neill,
H. T. Day,
A. J. Gales,
Jno. L. Miller,
A. H. Raper,
E T. Stewart,
L. Weil."

Committee.

We the Finance Committee appointed at this meeting to
amine the books and vouchers of the Secretary, have carefu
examined the same and find them correct except that he has p
the treasurer seventeen dollars ($17 00) in excess of his recei
whereas, we recommend that a voucher be drawn for the ab
amount in favor of W. C. VonGlahn.

(Signed) Committee."

President McNEILL:

You have heard the report of your committee. It has been mo
and seconded that the same be received and ordered filed.

MR. FRIEMUTH:

We would like to hear from the secretary and see if the sa
is correct.

Secretary VONGLAHN:

I will say that it is correct.

President McNEILL:

All in favor of filing this report make it known by say
"Aye." Carried.

MR. ————

The report of the statistician was also referred to that c
mittee, did they take any action upon it Mr. Miller?

M. MILLER:

I will say that we had no papers.

Secretary VONGLAHN:

I stated that I picked up some of the statistician's papers
put them in my book at the hotel.

MR. MILLER:

The committee had no knowledge of this whatsoever.

President MCNEILL:

If there is no objection it will be considered as filed like the ıer reports.

Gentlemen of the convention, it was decided when we adjourn- this afternoon that the first business under the head of mis- laneous business, by your own decision, was to be the selection the next place of meeting of the 17th Annual convention and ırnament. Now that is the order of business that you have laid for yourselves. Are you prepared to go into it?

MR. O'NEILL of Henderson:

Is that the order of business as it comes next?

President MCNEILL:

Mr. Julian had that motion put, the first order of business un the head of miscellaneous business.

MR. O'NEILL:

I have some miscellaneous business I would like to ask the se about.

President MCNEILL:

Under the order of business laid down by this Convention, the order of business under this head, 6th article, by order of this vention this afternoon was made specially the selection of the e of holding the next meeting; you did it yourselves. Now un- that order is re-considered, the chair is compelled by order of Convention to announce that nominations are now in order for meeting place of the 17th Annual Convention and Tournament ıe North Carolina State Firemen's Association. It is up to gentlemen

MR. JULIAN:

President and Gentlemen of the Convention:

come from the town of Salisbury, nestling at the foot of the Ridge; a town situated so that it is as accessible as any town orth Carolina. Our Chief Executive will invite you himself. I I need say nothing more to you than to tell you that Salis- has the greatest firemen's Mayor that God ever put on earth. lause.] Let me refer to Col. A. H. Boyden. Two and a half

years ago at the earnest solicitation of his friends, he became candidate for Mayor, and young men and old men, rich men ar poor men, single men and married men, rallied to his support ar he won. This last spring a fight was made upon him. He sai "My friends, I will be a candidate," he came out as a candidat and instead of getting a small majority he defeated his oppone 3 to 1. We firemen know him as THE MAYOR of all North Car lina. Why do I say that? Because when he went into office, Sa isbury had an old hook and ladder truck worth $50.00, that is a To-day she has the best equipped fire department of any town believe in that section of North Carolina. Why do I say he is firemen's Mayor? Last month the Independent Hose Company Salisbury through petition and subscription secured from the ci zens of our town $65.00, making $100.00 with which to pay $225.0 Our committee went to our Mayor and he went down into h pocket. Now, let me tell you gentlemen, bring the next tourn nament to Salisbury, you will find her magnificent homes open to t firemen of North Carolina; bring the next tournament to Sal bury, you will find every door in that town open to you; bring t next tournament to Salisbury, and you will find every man, wom and child will extend you a welcome. We will give prizes all y want, and will make it the biggest tournament we have ever h before.

Col. BOYDEN:

I wish to say that I cannot do all my friend has promised, b I believe that I have some conception of what it takes to enterta the firemen of North Carolina, and I believe furthermore that have some idea of how to do it, and it shall be my wish to make t tournament in the city of Salisbury, at least equal, to any of t tournaments you have ever had in other places of the State, R leigh, Greensboro, Durham and other points.

We propose and have already voted $100,000 for street i provements, and I hope the next firemen's tournement will voted for Salisbury, and it shall be my pleasure to put down t or three blocks particularly and specially for the firemen of Nor Carolina. These firemen work night and day, they are never id The Independent Hose Company is made up of as fine a set of m as ever lived in the world. I believe when you see them to-morr in the race you will see they are. If you will come to Salisbury will do my utmost to give you gentlemen as good a time as y have ever had. I will try and make the prizes as handsome as y have ever had, and will try and make your stay a pleasant one.

President McNeill, Salisbury, is in nomination as o place for the meeting of the next tournament.

MR. GALES of Winston :

I put Winston in nomination. Winston is in touch with the Association, and if you meet there next year I think Winston can do just as good as Salisbury and entertain the Association just as well. Those gentlemen are speakers and I am not, but I would like the Association to meet in Winston next year. I believe, Mr. President, our Mayor was expected to be here and invite the Association to Winston and Salem, but on account of some circumstances he could not come, but I have a letter from the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen asking me to invite the Association to come to Winston and Salem next year. I say this to the Conventon, that Winston-Salem, is in touch with the Association. As you all know nine years ago, the Association met in Winston and Salem and went from Winston to New Berne, they went from New Berne to Salisbury and therefore, according to rotation, the next meeting should be in Winston rather than Salisbury, and I would like for the Association to vote to come to Winston. We would like to have it one more time, and we will offer just as good prizes as have ever before been given in the State.

President MCNEILL :

The chair desires to say there was a letter from Mayor Eaton and it has been misplaced somewhere, I remember somebody's handing it to me. I wish further to say Mayor Eaton expected to be here, in fact he had been asked by me to respond to the address of welcome, and I took it for granted the letter was giving his reason for not being here. I am sorry that it has been misplaced, but it has been.

MR——————— of Winston.

Meet with us next year. We are near the Blue Ridge. If you will just come to Winston we will do our full duty, we give you as big prizes as any town that has ever entertained you. I will say in conclusion that the race track is already made.

President MCNEILL :

Winston is now in nomination.

Mr. ——————— of Winston :

I would like to second the nomination of Winston. We will do the best we can for you. We do not know whether we can accomplish as much as Mr. Julian, but we will do the best we can for you.

Rev. Mr. WILLIAMS of Elizabeth City :

I think Salisbury is doing the Association an injury by asking us there. Go there once and we will never want to go anywhere else.

President McNEILL :

Gentlemen of the Convention:

I am requested to read the following resolution : " Whereas, The State Firemen's Association of North Carolina is highly appreciative of the generous manifestation of friendship exhibited by Gen. Julian S. Carr. Resolved, That Gen. Carr be voted an honorary member of this Association.

[Signed] CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE."

It is moved that Gen. Carr be elected an honorary member by a rising vote. Carried. [Chair recognizes Gen. Carr.]

Gen. CARR :

Gentlemen :—I am most grateful for the honor you have paid me. I remember when I was a boy at school I read "The boy stood on the burning deck," and ever since then I have been a fireman.

I left the wife of my bosom with whom I have lived thirty years, up in Pennsylvania where we were enjoying a Summer outing, and I said, "Sweetheart, I am going down to shake hands with the boys who stand on the burning deck down in North Carolina." [Laughter] Salisbury has not sent me an invitation, but I have several friends there, and I ask you to cast one solid vote to meet in Salisbury next year.

President McNEILL :

Salisbury and Winston are both in nomination for the next meeting place of the 17th Annual Convention and Tournament of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association. Gentlemen, it will be necessary in this case to say that every Company in this Association is entitled to 2 votes, every chief, (a member of the Association) is entitled to 1 vote, every assistant chief, 1 vote, every water works superintendent, 1 vote, every superintendent of fire alarms 1 vote. This is plain, and only those who are delegates and have the right to vote in this matter, will vote. Prepare your ballots for Winston and Salisbury.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the Secretary call the roll. Mr. Julian of Salisbury, and Mr.

Holmes of Winston, were appointed tellers.

President McNEILL :

The delegates and gentlemen from Winston, recognizing the entiment of the Convention in favor of Salisbury, desire to withraw Winston's name and ask that the vote be made unanimous or Salisbury to have the 17th Annual Meeting place of the North arolina State Firemen's Association.

Calls for Boyden.

Col. BOYDEN.

Mr. President, the only regret of my life is that I have not een a fireman long ago. I had no conception, no idea of the acrifice of the patriotic duty that has been exhibited by the remen of North Carolina since I became Mayor of Salisbury. I ish to say to you gentlemen that every day I live brings strength me in my admiration and love for the firemen of North Carona. I have yet to see a more unselfish body of men than the volnteer firemen of North Carolina. There is hardly one of them in y town that is not a laboring man, that depends upon his daily bor, who when night comes is not worn out with his work and ants to sleep, and yet when that bell taps there never has been my town such a glorious set of men who respond to that tap. The es in my town are a mere nothing; there has hardly been a fire my town in the last six years that amounted to anything. I see ung boys scarcely 16 years old, volunteer firemen, who will go fires in the middle of winter with their very clothes frozen upon em. Now, gentlemen, my heart is with you in everything. You ve just decided to come to my home and I promise the best in y power for you. I will do for you everything that can be done make your stay in my town one perfect pleasure; I will give the st efforts of my life, nothing will please me more when you come Salisbury and go away, than that you will say what we are all ing to say when we leave Durham, "God bless Durham."

President McNEILL:

entlemen of the Convention:—

We will now go back to the regular order of business which was cided upon this afternoon. The Convention is now under the ad of miscellaneous business. Is there any miscellaneous business? Chair is ready to take any question whatever

Mr. O'NEILL of Henderson :

I note from year to year that we have showed a balance of be tween $1,500 and $2,500, and I move that the Treasurer be instruct ed to deposit $1,500 in a savings bank paying not less than 4 pe cent. interest, subject to check of course. In that way we can us the money and at the same time will be getting a benefit fro what is now doing nothing at all except lying idle.

Col. BOYDEN :

A savings bank where you deposit money is not subject t check unless it is stipulated at the time, you have to leave it the six or eight or twelve months.

Mr. O'NEILL :

If we lost the interest for six months we are no worse off tha we are now. If we keep it in a year we are $60.00 better off.

Mr. COOPER :

If we deposit $500 a year, we will hardly need $500.

Mr. GREEN :

There is no bank in our town that pays 4 per cent. Part of o money can be put in. $1,500 can be divided into certificates $500.

Mr. O'NEILL :

The only reason I said was, our bank pays 4 per cent.

Mr. VONGLAHN:

The Savings Bank of Wilmington after three months will p 4 per cent.

Mr. O'NEILL:

I amend that motion by referring it to a committee.

Mr. DOUGLASS of Greensboro :

What has been done with this money for the last several yea

Treasurer GREEN:

The money has been held by the Treasurer. This is the larg balance we have ever had. In November we had the appropr tion from the State, paying us $1,875. It takes between $1,500

$2,500 to pay the vouchers that are drawn upon the Treasurer for disabled firemen. This year it has been very low, has been only $1,500, that is why the balance is larger.

Mr. DOUGLASS :

Can we depend upon this $1,000 surplus, or would it be exhausted ?

Mr. O'NEILL :

It was not intended to create a surplus, it was merely to take the surplus on hand.

Mr. DOUGLASS :

I am not drumming for any Greensboro concern, but we have a Trust Company that pays 4 per cent. interest if you want to draw any out.

Mr. COOPER:

The gentleman's last motion was to refer it to a committee and they would look after it later.

Treasurer GREEN :

The Treasurer of this organization bonds to the State of North Carolina and not to the Association. If your committee can take $1,500 of this money and deposit $500 where they can get the best for it, the money can be used, the $1,500, I think.

President MCNEILL :

This Relief Fund is money we have on hand coming from an act of the Legislature of 1891, putting the tax upon insurance companies doing business in North Carolina, giving us as appropriation of $2,500 a year from the State. This money does not come from tax on property, but it comes from insurance companies doing business in North Carolina. The Legislature of 1893 recognizing the colored element of firemen in the State, divided this fund, leaving this Association three-fourths of it and giving to the colored Association one-fourth of it. We are drawing upon the State of North Carolina $1,875 per annum, the colored Association, $625.00 per annum, and this surplus is the excess over and above what we have paid out to firemen who have been injured or were sick.

Rev. Mr. WILLIAMS :

The motion is amended.

President McNEILL:

The house will now prepare to vote on the question, which is that $1,500 of the surplus of the Relief Fund of our Association be put out upon the best terms obtainable in the judgment of your executive committee, in certificates of $500 each, the interest accruing from them to be carried into our general fund. All in favor make it known by saying "aye." Motion unanimously carried.

Mr. WEIL of Goldsboro:

We want to have a change made in the program for to-morrow. The horses cannot run on the track on which the engines have thrown water. I would like to hear from some of them.

Mr. COOPER:

Let the hose wagons take the place of the engine contest.

President McNEILL:

The chair will state that the tournament feature of the Association, while strictly under our control to a large extent, is a matter of courtesy on the part of the city who as guests we are. Whatever this convention orders will be accepted, but we should not put them to any extra trouble.

Mr. COOPER:

In the program it says, "Engine Contest 11 A. M., Horse Hose Wagon Contest 2.30." I would propose to change that to read "11 A. M. Horse Hose Wagon Race; 2 30 Engine Contest." If that could be arranged it would be better than putting Durham to the expense of changing:

Mr. WEIL:

We do not want to lay any obstacle in the way, but if we have the Horse Hose Wagon Race at 2.30 and the Championship race at 4.30, if the horses can't run in the mud the men certainly can't. the only way to do is to put the Engine Contest after the Horse Hose Wagon Race, and after the Championship Race.

President McNEILL:

Has this been amended?

Mr. MICHIE:

The Durham Water Company will remove that tank and put it at the hydrant immediately.

President McNEILL:

Will that be satisfactory to your committee?

Mr. MICHIE:

I cannot speak for them, but I will do my part of it.

Mr. COOPER:

Give the track to the wagon and reel races first and then pull off the engine contest if it is 9 o'clock.

President McNEILL:

All in favor of changing the program for to-morrow by having he Horse Hose Wagon Race and the Championship Reel Race to ome off immediately after the street parade. and that the exhibi-ion of the Pompier Corps to be followed by engine contest after he Championship races are over, will make it known by saying aye."

President McNEILL:

The chair will order the program changed. [Adopted.]

Mr. SIMPSON:

I would like to ask for information in regard to wood in steamer ontest. Is wood furnished by judges, or does each company fur-ish wood for himself?

President McNEILL:

The chair will read the rules governing this. "Fuel to be fur-ished by judges and must be same as fixed with in case of fire, either wood or coal and not over half gallon of alcohol or oil.)

Mr. MICHIE:

I think the Chief of the Fire Department is the proper person n to answer that question.

President McNIELL:

You will use coal from the same cart and oil from the same an (and I will make a request that you have half gallon each,) a ad of the same coal from the same cart and same oil for all.

Mr. MICHIE:

How many engines will you have to provide for?

Mr. COOPER :

I would like to know in regard to steam gage. Will we have the same gage?

President McNIELL :

Is the same guage to be applied to every engine, or are they to be allowed to use their own guage?

Mr. COOPER :

It would be fair for every one to have the same guage.

Mr. ROYALL of New Berne:

I think we are killing lots of time on this subject.

President McNIEILL :

The gentleman from Rocky Mount is entirely in order on this matter. The judges require the same guage to be used on every engine as she comes to the tank in the long distance throwing contest. All in favor of the adoption of the motion made by Mr. Cooper will make it known by saying "aye." The "ayes" have it

Mr. SIMPSON :

After the quick steaming, the long distance contest comes, or does each engine go in the long distance?

Mr. MICHIE:

I think that is a matter that should be left to the judges as it is what the judges are intended for.

Mr. SIMPSON :

I was asking for information.

President McNEILL :

As you know, every engine company contesting names one judge, the judges have absolute control and decide every question

Mr. SIMPSON:

I think for the long distance they should be allowed to use their own guage, on quick steaming you would not have time to change that guage.

Mr. ———

Do the same steam guages fit all engines ?

President McNeill :

I suppose so.

Mr. Cremer of Durham:

The Finance Committee is now ready to announce their official rograms. The first prize calls for $75.00 for the Hook and Ladder ontest. It has been changed by the committee to $100.

Mr. Weil of Goldsboro:

I am requested to make the motion that the photographs of ll winning teams be printed in the proceedings at the expense of ıe Association.

President McNeill :

It has been moved and seconded that from this time forward ıe photographs of the winning teams be printed in the Annual roceedings of the Convention; all those in favor of that make it nown by rising, let no one rise but those who have a right to vote. otion lost, 47 to 35.

President McNeill:

Any other business before the Convention.

Mr. Jones of Fayetteville:

May I ask where the parade will start from in the morning?

President McNeill:

Mr. Michie will give us information on that. Is there any other iscellaneous business? The next thing, volunteer reports from e organizations. Secretary will please call the roll.

Chief Bernard of Asheville:

I am sorry to say that the condition of the department is not good as I hope to see it soon. Recently we have elected a Board Aldermen and Mayor of about the most progressive men we have er had and we expect a great deal from them.

Chief Irving of Charlotte:

Very good condition.

Chief Miller of Concord:

We are in better shape to-day than we have ever been before.

Chief LEWELLYN of Durham :

Department in better shape than ever. 1 new engine, nev hose and will soon have a new horse.

Mr. WILLIAMS of Elizabeth City :

Excellent condition. New engine, good fires and put them out

Mr. MCNEILL of Fayetteville:

We are in very good order.

Mr. DOUGLASS of Greensboro :

Since the last Convention, Greensboro has built her a nev steel water tower giving us pressure of about 75 pounds, since the we have also added a chemical combination hose wagon, severa new horses, added a new tank and we have made very good pro grəss.

Mr. WEIL of Goldsboro:

In the absence of the Chief will say we are working in har mony.

Mr. O'NEILL of Henderson :

We have now a Board that will stand by us. We have a wago and hope to get a horse. Lots of room for improvement yet.

Mr. ——————— of High Point:

(Chief absent). Room for improvement yet.

Mr. ——————— of Monroe :

(Chief absent.) The department is not doing as much as form erly.

Mr. WOLLCOTT of Raleigh:

Good shape at present.

Mr. COOPER of Rocky Mount:

I think our town speaks for itself. The fire department start ed two years ago. We have about $6,000 in appropriation. Ou alarm system is not what it ought to be, but we hope soon to hav an alarm system.

Mr. ——————— of Salisbury:

I am very glad to say we are in better shape in every way tha we have ever been before. We have a strictly up to date depart partment.

Mr. -- ——— of Salem :

We have more and better men in our department than we have ever had before.

Mr. ——— of Southern Pines :

(Chief absent.)

Mr. ——— of Tarboro:

We have not very much of a department, but we generally manage to put out fires.

Chief SCHNIBBENS of Wilmington :

First class condition.

Mr. ——— of Winston :

(Chief absent.) We have a very live Board. We have several new sections of hose and contemplate buying a chemical combination engine.

Mr. ——— ———of Washington:

Better condition than ever before.

Mr. - - ——— of Chapel Hill:

It would be better for us to have nothing to say. We have only recently organized about four weeks ago and are not as well equipped as some other companies, but we are glad to be in this Convention and have promised Salisbury to go to the next meeting.

Mr. MORGAN of Spencer :

Good condition. Have new hose and new hose reel.

Mr. ——— of Wilson :

Poor condition I am sorry to say.

Mr. ——— of Kinston:

We are in better condition than we have ever been before. Next year we hope to win all the prizes of Salisbury.

Mr. ——————— of Sanford:

The fire department has been organized only about a year; we had a very slow set of officers, but now we have very good men and we hope to get in good condition. We have fine system of water works, 1 500 feet of hose, good Board and most accommodating.

President McNeill:

These are the most favorable reports we have ever had, and it shows the good work this organization is doing.

The next business is the election of officers. What is the wish of the Convention?

Mr. Cooper:

Can a man hold an office in the Association and not belong to it?

President McNeill:

Under the laws of the Association, section 4 reads, "Any exempt fireman may upon the payment of $2.00 and of the regular annual dues, become a member of this Association with all rights and privileges of any other member. Under our Relief Fund law, any man who is injured in the line of fire duty will be entitled to claim if he is a beneficiary member of the Association.

President McNeill:

Nominations for President are in order.

Cries for McNeill:

Mr. Douglass:

I nominate Hon. Jas. D. McNeill for President of this Association. (Seconded by Mr. Schnibbens.)

President McNeill:

I, (applause.) I can only say that I have tried to say before ——— (Applause.) (Takes his seat.)

Mr. DOUGLASS :

I say this as a man who has voted for Jas. D. McNeill seven mes and hope to do so seven times more. We thank him sincerely r his kindness and consideration and for the splendid manner in nich he has conducted the affairs of this Association. If he is nored in accepting the presidency, we feel in our hearts that the ssociation is as much honored in his accepting it as he is honored having it. (Applause.)

President MCNIELL :

I can only say I fully appreciate all you have said. My ser- ces are at your command for 12 months more. I must ask your dulgence though, long enough to say that it seems almost incom- ehensible to me how, during the nine years that I have presided er your deliberations and had the executive charge of your busi- ss affairs, covering hundreds of decisions that in the nature of ings could not have been satisfactory to BOTH SIDES, and having the adjustment of claims and the disbursement of thousands of llars, necessarily displeased some, I have been able to retain your animous confidence and make the present very remarkable scene all possible. I can only account for it by having on my part, en governed in every case only by the highest sense of honor and ght, and on your part, by having been accorded your full confi- nce as an honest man and an impartial executive.

Mr. ————————

I nominate Col. A. H. Boyden for 1st Vice President.

It was moved and seconded that the Secretary cast a animous vote for Col. Boyden for 1st Vice President. rried.

Mr. COOPER:

I nominate Mr. R. D. Douglass as 2nd Vice President.

Seconded and carried unanimously.

Secretary VONGLAHN:

I cast 7091 votes for R. D. Douglass as 2nd Vice President of s Association.

President MCNEILL :

Nominations for Secretary are in order.

Mr. COOPER:

I move Mr. W. C. VonGlahn be nominated by acclamation.

Cries for VonGlahn.

Mr. FRIEMUTH:

I nominate Mr. Chas. Schnibbens as Secretary.

President McNEILL:

The names of Mr. VonGlahn and Mr. Schnibbens are before the Convention.

Mr. SCHNIBBENS:

I would like to withdraw my name. I am not a candidate as Secretary of this Association.

Mr. TURNER of Raleigh:

I desire to place in nomination a gentleman who has been identified with us. He has been a fireman 21 years, has been foreman of his company for 8 years, goes to the meetings of the Association and has presented to the fire department two strong handsome boys who are both volunteer firemen. I refer to Mr. Parrish.

Mr. DOUGLASS:

I second the nomination of my friend, Mr. W. W. Parrish. He has served with us and has been identified with the volunteer fire companies for several years. It gives me pleasure to second the nomination of Mr Parrish for Secretary of this Association. I am not making any fight upon Mr. VonGlahn; it is not that I love Caesar less, but I love Rome more.

Cries for VonGlahn.

Mr. ROBERTSON of Wilmington:

I think from what has been said that an erroneous impression has been presented to this Convention. The gentleman who has just seconded Mr. Parrish's nomination said that he had no attack to make. I have known Mr. VonGlahn in the fire company for 11 years and he has served the people of Wilmington almost continually since I have known him. I have no doubt he has made some people sour, but if he did so it was because he did for them what he will do for this Convention, his duty. I do not care to see any honorable man assailed and I know that there is no more honorable

nan in the city of Wilmington.

Mr. DOUGLASS :

As the man who seconded the nomination of Mr. Parrish, I second the motion to withdraw his name and make it a unanimous vote for Mr. Von Glahn. [Voted unanimously.]

Mr. VONGLAHN:

Most too full for utterance gentlemen, 'tis a fact. All I can say to you is this, I certainly am proud of being asked to serve you 2 months more. I served the volunteer fire department in Wilnington 16 consecutive years. I have no two grown sons, but I have one boy who wears breeches 35½ inches long, and I hope he will enter the volunteer fire department.

President MCNEILL :

Nominations for Treasurer are in order.

Mr. STEWART :

Mr. President, has the unanimous vote ever been cast yet for he President of this Association. We don't want any mistake nade and I hold that in the universal desire to have yon re-elected hat the very important act of voting for you was overlooked.

President MCNIEILL :

The chair thinks you are right. It looks like I have been elected 9 times and accepted it 10.

Mr. MICHIE:

We would like to cast it 3 or 4 times more. (On motion of Mayor Stewart of Washington, the re-election of President James . McNeill was made unanimous by a rising vote.)

President MCNEILL:

Nominations for Treasurer are in order. There being no oppotion, it has been moved and seconded by a dozen men, that the resident cast the unanimous vote of the Association for Mr. T. . Green, our present Treasurer. He declared Mr. Green re-elected Treasurer for the next 12 months.

Mr. GREEN :

I am from New Berne where we have the smartest men in the orld. The United States has a Dewey, and so has New Berne. I ink the action of your Convention to-night is a very wise one

and I shall consult with the executive committee and place this money out at interest as soon as they say. I am not as embarrassed as our friend McNeill, because he has assumed his election before he had it I waited patiently until I was nominated and elected and now I am ready to speak. I only promise to do for you what I have done in the past, and will as long as you continue to elect me.

President McNEILL:

Nominations for Statician are in order.

Nominations for Chas. Schnibbens and L. J. Taylor seconded.

Mr. O'NEILL from Henderson :

The Statistician divides the Secretary's work. The Secretary is capable of doing both his and the Statistician's work with the same pay. I understood him to say that.

Secretary VONGLAHN:

I did not say that it divides it, but it could be done by the Secretary.

Mr. LINTON:

I would like to offer a name for Statistician. Mr. Lumsden. (Seconded.)

President McNEILL :

There are 3 nominees properly seconded.

Mr. O'NEILL:

Will it not save expense to have the Treasurer and Statistician in the same town?

President McNEILL :

I do not know.

Mr. TURNER:

New Berne has the Treasurer and Wilmington has the Secretary, and we would think Raleigh entitled to something, and we ask the Convention to vote for Mr. Lumsden.

The vote was taken and resulted in 40 for Mr. Schnibbens, 41 for Mr. Lumsden, 17 Mr. Taylor, No election.

President McNIELL :

Secretary will please call the roll.

Mr. PARRISH :

I move that we drop the lowest men and take the two highest ıen. We think the officers should be distributed. Wilmington ıd New Berne have had the offices so long.

Mr. Taylor having voluntarily withdrawn, the ote was taken for Mr. Schnibbens and Mr. Lumsden, re-ılting in Schnibbens 70, Lumsden 42.

It was moved and seconded that the unanimous ote be cast for Mr. Schnibbens as Statistican of the As-ɔciation. Carried.

President McNeill then called Vice President Boy-en to the chair.

President McNeill offered the following resolution:

That inasmuch as the "Firemen's Herald" of New York City ıd during the past year been very courteous to the North Caro-ıa departments in publishing items of interest to them and in its itorial colums commended the work of the State Association, esolved, That the Convention express its appreciation of its cour-sy and recommend to each and every company to subscribe for e same and keep it on file in their company quarters. Carried

Motion by Mr. Lumsden of Raleigh:

That the warmest thanks of the entire Association member-ip be extended to the citizens of Durham as a whole, and to the urnament Committee especially, for the generous hospitality tended and for the many courtesies shown to us individually and llectively. Carried.

On motion of Mr. Douglass of Greennsboro:

President McNeill was unanimously elected to represent the sociation at the meeting of the Inter National Association of e Engineers at Atlantic City on September 8th. He was also thorized to appoint a delegate to the National Firemen's Asso-tion in Chicago, on Septem28th.

Motion by the President:

That the thanks and grateful appreciation of the Associatio be extended to the Commissioners of Railway and the officials o the several railway lines leading into Durham, for the very satis factory rates and privileges granted us this year, and we pledg them our best organized efforts to protect their property from los or damage by fire in our respective departments, as a partial re cognition of their courtesies. Unanimously carried.

Motion by Mr. MADDRY of Durham:

That the thanks of the Association and the citizens of Durha be extended to the gallant Charleston Pompier Corps and thei honored Chief for the splendid exhition of their daring and skill i handing of their life saving apparatus Their exhibitions were a object lesson to our State Firemen that cannot fail to be benefi cial to the service. Unanimously carried.

President McNeill also offered a vote of thanks to the Green boro Hook and Ladder Company for the splendid exhibition of thei Aerial Truck on the race course. Their splendid race and th erection of their Aerial ladder was witnessed and admired by bot visitors and firemen, and showed the efficiency, nerve and disci pline of the men.

It was moved, seconded and carried that Mr. W C. VonGlahn be starter for the races, same compensatio as last year.

Upon motion duly seconded and carried, the meet ing adjourned sine die.

Rules Governing Tournaments and Races Held Under the Supervision of the Association.

RULE I.

There shall be held annually an Association Tournament, at such time and place as the Association shall from time to time direct, at which Tournament and no other, the championship of the various branches of the firemen's services shall be contested for.

All Tournaments shall be under the auspices of the Association, but the arrangements shall be made by the firemen and citizens at the place at which it is to be held.

RULE II.

Section 1. Champion prizes, other than money prizes, shall be the property of the Association, subject to their call and control, but will be in possession of the champion Companies until within ten days of the meeting of the Association, when it shall be returned to the Secretary, and by him put in safe keeping until the day of the races, and then he shall place the same in the hands of the judges of the race for which prize is offered before the Companies start in said raee.

Sec. 2. The Association shall have power to suspend any Company from participating in any Annual Tournament.

Sec. 3. All Companies, members of the Association, can contest for prizes at the Annual Tournament, unless suspended.

Sec. 4. All prizes hereafter offered for contest at the Annual Tournament of the Association, for which there has been no competition, shall revert to the North Carolina State Firemen's Association to be by said Association devoted to the purchase of permanent Association Championship prizes, to be competed for as provided for in the preceding section.

RULE III.

Section 1. The Captains of the competing teams shall select Judges and Time-keepers at each Annual Tournament, who shall decide each and every contest which takes place at said Tournament. That no one shall serve as a judge in any of the contests who is not a resident of the State of North Carolina, and who is a member of a competing Company taking part in these contests, and the decision of these judges shall be final.

RULE IV.

Section 1. Any Company attempting to win a prize by fraud, deception or foul play, or in any dishonorable way, or who shall disobey or infringe upon or evade any of the requirements of these Rules, shall forfeit any prize won thereby, and shall be subject to suspension or expulsion.

Sec. 2. None but regular organized Companies, who have been organized as such as least thirty days prior to the Annual Tournament, and are members of this Association, can compete for any championship, and no person shall be allowed to run with or assist any Company in any contest who has not been a member of said Company at least thirty days prior to such contest.

Sec. 3. No Company shall be allowed more than one trial in any contest.

RULE V.

Section 1. Every person taking any part in any contest requiring running, shall be required to start with his Company from the starting point.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of the starting judges to start each team by saying, "Are you ready?" after which a pistol will be fired or an electric bell sounded, and time taken from these.

Sec. 3. All contestants in races must be decently clothed, the Executive Committee to decide.

RULE VI.

Section 1. The Start and Outcome Judges in any contest shall, by means of flag signals, signify the readiness for a start prior to any run.

Sec. 2. Timers must be placed at the Outcome and time must be settled by them before reporting to the judges, and they must report their readiness to Judges at Outcome before each team is started.

RULE VII.

Section 1. The names of the contestants in each team, and the names of not more than four substitutes in each team, must be handed to the Secretary of the Association prior to the contest, and such list must be accompanied by a certificate from the Foreman and Secretary of the Department to which the team belongs that such parties are actual members in good standing in said Department.

Sec. 2. In case of a tie being made by teams in any contest, the judges shall immediately order such teams to run over, and such run shall decide the contest.

RULE VIII.

Section 1. All Hand Reel Races shall be run on the second day of Tournament.

Sec. 2. The town, at which Tournament is held, shall be required to have attached to a hydrant at which runs are made, a pressure guage that the water pressure may be seen at all times.

Rules Governing Hose Companies.

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP CONTESTS.

Section 1. Any cart capable of carrying 500 feet of regular hose may be used, Number not to exceed sixteen men and a foreman.

Sec. 2. Hose race, wet or dry, distance to hydrant 200 yards, lay 300 feet of hose, uncouple, put on pipe, time to be called when pipe is dropped to the ground in dry run,

and when water leaves the pipe in wet run, carts not to carry less than 350 feet of hose reeled into one continuous line. Companies not to exceed sixteen men and a foreman.

Sec. 3. The Association shall purchase an electrical starting apparatus, which shall be used in starting all races of the Association. The apparatus to be between the wheels in four-wheel apparatus, and beyond the reel in reel races.

Sec. 4. Pipe to be carried on cart or by pipeman from the start. Pipe shall be of such style or pattern as teams may select. PROVIDED ALWAYS, they are suitable for active service. NO COUPLING OTHER THAN STANDARD SCREW COUPLINGS SHALL BE ALLOWED.

Sec. 5. No man to start ahead of leaders or to fall in and assist in dragging the apparatus after the start.

Sec. 6. No professional runner will be allowed to compete in any contest. The term "professional runner," is applied to one who has or is following racing as a profession or means of livelihood, and common reputation shall be deemed conclusive evidence of such profession, which shall be determined by the Executive Committee.

Sec. 7. All couplings used must be standard screw couplings, eight threads to the inch, and adapted to two and one-half inch fire hose; the hose on each coupling not to be shorter than forty-eight feet.

Sec. 8. All work must be done by hands or spanner.

Sec. 9. Snap, spring and unproportioned couplings, or any attachment to couplings to assist in breaking or making, BALLED.

Sec. 10. When time is called, competitors must step back for judges to examine. Judges must chalk pipe and couplings before moving, then turn pipe off to see that it takes the required three turns to disconnect.

Sec. 11. That the Association, at its meeting previous to the time such Championship Race shall come off, shall elect three Judges, one Timekeeper and one whose duty it

shall be to take charge of the Race under the above rules and report the results to the Secretary as soon as the Race is over.

Hand Hook and Ladder Contests.

Trucks to be weighed and one man allowed to every seventy-five (75) pounds—Captain and Ladderman not included with the running team, but to run in the contest.

Distance to be run, one hundred (100) yards—take off and raise one ladder, (which must not be less than thirty (30) feet long, man to ascend and touch top piece of ladder and descend, replacing ladder. Ladder must be raised by hand—no hooks or poles allowed.

No less than two entries required.

Rules and Regulations Governing Money Prizes.

STEAMER CONTEST.

QUICK STEAM FROM START TO FINISH.

Two entries required.

Engine to come to starting point, hitched up. To run 200 yards, take suction, attach hose and throw water 50 feet from nozzle through not less than 98 feet of hose.

Time for firing engine optional after signal to start is given. Driver, Engineer and Stroker to ride on engine. Hose wagon to follow with not more than six men exclusive of driver. Time to be taken from starting signal until water goes over the 50-feet line. Quantity and quality of fuel optional.

QUICK STEAM—TWO TO ENTER.

Steamer to come to cistern empty and cold; to be filled with cold water until the engineer running the engine says "stop"; fuel to be furnished by the judges, and must be the same as fired with in case of fire (either wood or

coal and not over one-half gallon of alcohol or oil.) Time to be taken from pistol shot and to throw water 50 feet, through not less than 48 feet of hose. That the stack on engines in all contests from this time forward shall not exceed two feet, and throw water over the 50 foot line continously for 5 minutes.

DISTANCE—TWO TO ENTER.

Steamer throwing water the greatest distance, with not over 100 pounds of steam, through not less than 48 feet of hose, size of nozzle optional.

The steam guage of each engine to be tested by all competing engineers prior to contest.

Hand Reel Contest.

TWO TO ENTER.

Sixteen men and a foreman allowed.

Reel not to carry less than 148 feet of standard two and one-half inch hose; to be connected on the start as when ready for duty at fires (three full threads); to run 150 yards, unreel not less than 98 feet of hose, attach same to plug, screw pipe to hose (any size nozzle), throw water in quickest time. Water to show opposite or beyond the hydrant, or Company shall be ruled out. The plug must be closed, cap on three threads, at the time of the Company starting on the run, and shall be opened by the wrenchman running with the Company. No straps or snaps couplings allowed.

The hose must be let go as soon as attached to the plug. If the butt is blown off the Company shall be ruled out. No couplings shall be used without nipples.

No Company shall be allowed to assist another. In the run each Company is required to furnish a roll of its members to Secretary of the Association on the morning of the first day, as early as possible. Fifteen minutes will be allowed each Company after the judge's signal for ready and any Company failing to start within that time

shall be ruled out. Two entries required. No one allowed inside the ropes except the Company making the run. The Company making the best time wins the first prize. No Company allowed to enter more than one team.

Grab Race Contest.

Company to run 50 yards, grab reel and run 50 yards to plug, unreel not less than 48 feet of hose, attach same to plug and throw water—drag rope to be up or down (optional with Company.) Plug must be closed when Company starts to run same as the Reel Contest. Coupling to be broken opposite or beyond the plug. Should butt of nozzle blow off, Company to be ruled out.

Hand Trunk Hook and Ladder Race.

Companies allowed one man to every 75 pounds, exclusive of Ladderman and Captain. Must run 100 yards, take off and raise one ladder (which must be not less than 30 feet long), man to ascend and touch top piece or round of ladder and descend, replace ladder.

Ladders must be raised by hand. No hooks or poles allowed.

No less than two entries allowed.

Hook and Ladder Contest---Horse Truck.

TWO TO ENTER.

Companies allowed one or two-horse truck. Trucks to be weighed. Weight for one horse not less than 1,500 pounds, EXCLUSIVE OF DRIVER AND MEN; for two horses not less than 2,600 pounds. Horse or horses to be hitched to truck, rear wheels on starting line, and run 300 yards; take off one 30-foot ladder, man to ascend and touch top piece or round of ladder and descend; replace ladder on truck in same position as when removed. Ladder must

be raised by hand. Ladderman must touch bottom and top round in ascending. No hooks or poles allowed. Not less than two entries allowed. Not more than sixteen men allowed. exclusive of driver and ladderman.

Horse Reel Race.

TWO TO ENTER.

Companies allowed the use of any four-wheeled Hose Carriage or Wagon, either one or two horse, to carry not less than 350 feet standard two and one-half inch hose Carriage or Wagon to be weighed; weight for one horse not less than 1,200 pounds, EXCLUSIVE OF DRIVER AND MEN; for two horses not less than 2,600 pounds, EXCLUSIVE OF DRIVER AND MEN; the driver, buttman and coupling breaker shall ride on Carriage or Wagon, horse or horses to be hitched to Hose Carriage or Wagon, and to be given a moving start of 50 yards behind the actual starting line. The starting line to be so located as to be a 200 yards run for horse to hydrant, where Company is to unreel. Time to be taken when front wheels of wagon pass over starting line until water shows, unreel not less than 288 feet of hose, break coupling and attach pipe and show water, water must show within 50 feet of 288 foot line hose to be reeled on carriage or placed on wagon, connected with three full threads. The plug must be closed at the time of the Company starting and cannot be opened until hose is first started to be unreeled. Companies allowed five men in addition to those who ride, and can be placed in such position as desired. Time taken from first signal until water shows. If butt of pipe blows off, Company shall be ruled out, and hose must be let go before the pressure is taken off. Where ballast is used the certificate must show the kind of ballast and weight of same.

One Hundred Yard Foot Race Contest.

Men to run 100 yards. Two men to be selected by the Captain of each company. The one making the best time wins the prize.

Other Events.

SACK RACE.

Contestants to be enveloped in bags to the neck, run 50 yards. All persons entering must run at the same time.

BARROW RACE.

To run 50 yards. Contestants to be blindfolded. The one coming nearest the mark wins the prize.

General Rules.

All contestants will be required to take part in the parade, unless excused for satisfactory reasons, same to be made in writing.

In no case will a second trial be allowed.

Each Company's run will be decided by lot.

Captains will select all judges on the morning of the contest. All competing Companies must furnish the judges with weight of apparatus—to be weighed on city scales.

Companies wishing coupling—city standard, eight threads to the inch—will be furnished with the same on application to the Chief of Fire Department.

Hose will be furnished on the day of contest if desired. No person will be allowed to enter any of the contests unless he is a BONA FIDE member of the Company with which he enters.

N. B.—Judges must be governed by the above RULES, as no changes will be allowed under any circumstances.

An Act to Incorporate the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

Be it Enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly Convened:

SECTION 1. That C. D. Benbow, J. G. Fowler, H. J. Elam, A. T. Boyd, C. F. Thomas, J. R. Donnell, Charles Whittington and S. D. Wilson, of Greensboro; J. D. McNeill, of Fayetteville; J. T. Thacker, W. F. Keith, S. A. Sink, C. D. Snipes, F. H. Vogler, F. C. Meinung, of Winston-Salem; E. B. Englehard, T. W. Blake, F. H. Lumsden and F. Branan, of Raleigh; H. E. Heartt, of Durham; J. B. Swinson, of Charlotte, and such other persons as are associated with them, and their successors be, and they hereby are, constituted a body politic and corporate by the name of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, and by that name sue and be sued and prosecute and defend suits in all courts in the State and may have and use a common seal, and alter the same at pleasure. May take contracts and be capable in law of purchasing, holding and conveying any real or personal estate for the benefit of said Association or corporation, provided, the said corporation shall not any time hold real or personal estate of greater amount than ten thousand ($10,000) dollars.

Sec. 2. The purposes for which said Association is organized are: The protection and the promotion of the best interest of the firemen of North Carolina, the compilation of fire statistics, the collection of information concerning the practical workings of different systems of organizations, the examination and inquiry concerning the merits of the different kinds of apparatus in use and the improvements in the same, the cultivation of a fraternal fellowship between the different Companies of the State.

Sec. 3. Said Association or corporation shall have power to appoint officers, hold meetings, adopt a Constitution and enact such By-Laws in such manner as their Constitution may prescribe, and make such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry into effect the objects and aims of the Association; provided that such Constitution and By-Laws, rules and regulations be not repugnant to the Constitution of the State and of the United States.

Sec. 4. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified the 11th day of March, A. D. 1889.

North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

PREAMBLE.

We, the members of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association in order to form a more perfect organization, establish harmony of action, insure prosperity and success, provide pecuniary support, secure protection and promote the best interest of the Firemen of North Carolina, and compile statistics of information concerning the practical working of various systems and the merits of the different apparatus in use for the extinguishing of fires, also the cultivation of fraternal fellowship between the several Fire Departments of the State, do hereby establish the following Constitution and By-Laws :

Constitution and By-Laws.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. This organization shall be known as the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

ARTICLE II.

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and Statistician, and they shall constitute the Executive Committee and will hold their respective offices for one year, or until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

Sec. 2. The officers shall be elected at the annual meeting of the Association by ballot, the successful candidate to receive a majority of the votes cast.

ARTICLE III.

Section 1. The members of this Association shall consist of the several Chiefs and Assistant Chiefs of Fire Departments, Fire Marshalls, Superintendents of Fire Alarm Telegraph and Waterworks, and each regular organized

Fire Company in the several Fire Departments of the State, said persons and Companies complying with the provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of this Association; all individual members of such Fire Company shall, also, by virtue of their membership in such Company, be members of this Association for the purpose of participating in the benefits of this Association, and the funds distributed by it, so long as said Company remains a member of this Association and complies with the Constitution and By-Laws, and no longer. But should any member fail to pay his pro rata assessments, when called for, he shall be debarred from the privileges of this Association.

Sec. 2. Any member injured or made sick by disease contracted in the actual discharge of his duty as a Fireman, shall be entitled to the benefits from the "Firemen's Relief Fund" of this Association, as follows: At the rate of two ($2.00) dollars while totally unable to attend to his ordinary business by reason of such injury or sickness, but such beneficiary, arising from any particular injury or sickness, shall not lose time longer than ONE HUNDRED days from date of such injury, or beginning of such disability created by such sickness; but when partially disabled may receive $1.00 per day for not exceeding twenty days; but the Executive Committee may extend such benefits to the next annual meeting of the Association held next after the expiration of said period of one hundred days, and the Association at the annual meeting will, at its pleasure, determine the time for which such benefits may be received. That 10 per cent. be deducted from all claim for benefits and placed to the credit of the General Fund to defray expenses of the same. In case of death from such sickness or injury, this Association shall pay to the widow of the deceased $250.00 and $50.00 for funeral expenses, and in case the deceased should have no relatives, this amount shall be paid into the treasury of the Company of which he was a member. Every person or Company eligible and desiring to become a member of this Association shall make application to the Secretary and at

the same time pay to the Secretary the prescribed membership fee, and thereupon, if such applicant be eligible, he shall become a member of this Association.

Sec. 3. Every Fire Company in the State, which is a member of the Association, shall, on or before the first day of August in each year. elect two delegates and, also two alternates, to serve for the ensuing year, with the Chief Engineer and First Assistant of the various departments as delegates at large, who are entitled to one vote each. They shall be beneficiary members of the Association and shall show on our beneficiary roll.

Sec. 4. All Companies represented in this Association must be in full accord and in good standing in the Fire Department where they are located, and if at any time they are not so, they shall forfeit all right to membership in this Association ; but that Companies who retire from active service for a term of not more than two years shall be considered entitled to all privileges of the Convention.

ARTICLE IV.

Section 1. The annual meeting of the Association shall be held at such time and place, in each and every year, as the Executive Committee may select, as a majority of the members present of the Association shall designate and special meeting may be called by the President or a majority of the Executive Committee.

Sec. 2. A failure to hold any annual meeting at the time designated in the Constitution shall in no wise make a dissolution of the Association.

Sec. 3. The Executive Committee shall meet at such time and place as they may decide, on a call of the President or a majority of said Committee.

ARTICLE V.

Section 1. If any vacancy shall occur by reason of death, resignation of office or membership of any officers of this Association, such vacancy may be filled by the Executive Committee for the unexpired term for which said officer was elected.

ARTICLE VI.

Section 1. This Association shall have power to alter, amend or revise this Constitution and By-Laws, but it shall be necessary for a two-thirds vote of the members of the Association present ENTITLED TO VOTE: PROVIDED, the proposed amendment shall be submitted in writing at a previous meeting of the Executive Committee.

By-Laws.

ARTICLE I.

Section 1. It shall be the duty of the President to preside over the meetings of the Association and to sign all orders duly granted by the Association or Executive Committee.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of the Vice-President to perform all the duties of the President in his absence.

Sec. 3. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to keep a complete record of the proceedings of the Association, to receive and answer all communications pertaining to the Association. To keep a roster of the names of different Companies composing the Association and the individual membership thereof, and to collect the initiation fee and per capita tax, to pay the same over to the Treasurer, taking his receipt therefor. He shall receive as compensation for his services $100 per annum, to be paid quarterly by warrant on the Treasurer, signed by the President.

Sec. 4. The Treasurer shall receive all moneys collected by the Secretary and receipt to him for the same. He shall collect annually from the State Treasurer the amount appropriated by the Legislature for the Firemen's Relief Fund. He shall disburse no moneys except on order of the President or by instruction of the Association in annual meeting assembled. At the annual meeting he shall make a full report of all moneys received and distributed by him, and shall execute a bond to the State of North Carolina to the amount of $5,000, to be approved and filed with the

Treasurer of the said State of North Carolina, and shall make a detailed report to the said Treasurer of the yearly expenditures of the Firemen's Relief Fund. He shall execute a bond in the sum of $800 to this Association for the security of the General Fund, said bond must be approved by the Executive Committee. He shall receive $150 compensation as annual salary, to be paid quarterly by warrant issued by the Secretary and signed by the President.

Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the Statistician to correctly compile the statistics of each village and city in the State, of all matters pertaining to the fire service, annually correcting the previous reports, which shall include everything of interest to our Firemen, and be so arranged as to be comprehensive in every detail. The expenses of all printing, printed matter and postage necessary in the sending for and receiving of such information to be paid by the Association, and he shall receive $25 annually for his services.

Sec. 6. The duty of the Executive Committee shall be to have published the proceedings of the Association; to transact all business of the Association during the time intervening between the annual meetings, and they shall constitute a Board of Trustees for the management of all funds of the Association. At all meetings of the Executive Committee a majority of the Committee shall constitute a quorum, and a majority of such quorum may determine all questions.

ARTICLE III.

Section 1. Each Company shall pay a membership fee of five dollars. Fifty cents per capita yearly thereafter in advance for dues; and each Chief, Assistant Chief, Fire Marshal and Superintendent of Fire Alarm Telegraph and Water Works shall pay one dollar annual dues in advance. The Secretary of the Association shall be exempt from the payment of annual dues.

Sec. 2. The annual dues shall be paid on or before the first day of January in each year, in advance for the en-

suing year. And all members who fail to comply with this Section shall, thereon, and by reason of such failure cease to be members of this Association and cannot again become members except by a new application, made in regular form, and paying the prescribed fee for membership.

Sec. 3. Any individual or Company, members of this Association, who, at any time, fail to act in a gentlemanly manner, may, upon charges being brought before the Association, be expelled from said Association by a majority vote of the membership.

Sec. 4. Any exempt Firemen may, upon the payment of two dollars and of the regular annual dues, become a member of this Association, with all the rights and privileges of any other member.

ARTICLE III.

Section 1. All members sick or injured in the line of fire duty shall be entitled to the benefits from the Firemen's Relief Fund of this Association as follows: At the rate of two dollars each day, while unable to attend to their regular business, as provided in the Constitution. That 10 per cent. be deducted from all claims for benefits and placed to the credit of the General Fund to defray expenses of the same.

Sec. 2. In case of death from sickness or injury received in the performance of fire duty, $250.00 and $50.00 for funeral expenses.

Sec. 3. For the widow; in case there is no widow, to the children; if there is no child or children, to the mother of the deceased Fireman, the sum of $250 and $50 for funeral expenses; and in case there be no relative, to be paid to the Treasurer of the Company of which he was a member.

Sec. 4. The Chief, or Acting Chief, shall certify before a Magistrate or Notary Public on blank form, in triplicate, furnished by the Secretary, all particulars regarding each case where a benefit is required, accompanied by

the certificate of the attending physician.

Sec. 5. Application for benefits shall be made to the Secretary, in compliance with forms to be furnished by him for that purpose, and shall be made within thirty days after receiving the injury or contracting the disease complained of; but said time for making said application may be extended by the Executive Committee for good cause shown.

Sec. 6. The action of the Association upon all questions that may arise as to granting or referring relief and benefits, both as to amount thereof and the person claiming, and as incidental thereto, upon all questions relating to the right or claims of membership, shall be final and conclusive and the action of the Executive Committee upon said questions shall in like manner and extent be final and conclusive until the same be changed by the Association at its annual meeting.

Rules of Order.

1. The presiding officer shall preserve order and decorum; all questions of order shall be decided by him, subject to an appeal to the Association.

2. Every member when he speaks shall rise, standing in his place, addressing the presiding officer, and shall omit personalities, and confine himself to the question under debate.

3. When two or more members shall rise at once, the presiding officer shall name the one who shall speak first.

4. A member when called to order shall immediately sit down, unless permitted to explain by the chair. If there be no appeal, the decision shall be conclusive.

5. Every delegate shall vote, unless excused by the Association, but no delegate shall vote on any question in which he shall have a direct individual or pecuniary interest, and the President shall only vote in case of a tie.

6. The ayes and nays shall be taken and entered upon the minutes of the Association, if required by three delegates.

7. All business not provided for in these By-Laws shall be transacted according to the parlimentary rules that govern deliberate bodies. No less than the representative of five Companies shall constitute a quorum.

Order of Business.

1. Call to Order.
2. Presentation of Credentials.
3. Reading of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting.
4. Collection of Dues.
5. Report of Officers and Committees.
6. Miscellaneous Business.
7. Volunteer Report of Fire Organizations.
8. Election of Officers.
9. Unfinished Business.
10. Adjournment.

An Act Creating a Relief Fund for Disabled Firemen.

The General Assembly of North Carolina do Enact:

Section 1. That the sum of $2,500.00 be, and the same is hereby appropriated annually, and shall constitute a Firemen's Relief Fund, but in no case shall the said appropriation exceed one-half of the license tax levied and collected by the State from Insurance Companies.

Sec. 2. That the Treasurer of the State shall pay the amount constituting the Firemen's Relief Fund to the Treasurer of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association on the warrant of the Auditor of the State.

Sec. 3. That the money so paid in the hands of the Treasurer of the said North Carolina State Firmen's Association shall be known and remain as the Firemen's Relief Fund of North Carolina, and shall be used as a fund for the relief of Firemen, members of the Association, who may be injured or rendered sick by disease contracted in the actual discharge of duty as Firemen, and for relief of widow's children, and if there be no widow or children, then dependent mothers of such Firemen killed or dying from disease so contracted in such discharge of duty to be paid in such manner and in such sums to such individuals of the classes herein named and described as may be provided for and determined upon in accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws of said Association. Any such provisions and determinations made pursuant to said Constitution and By-Laws shall be final and conclusive as to the persons entitled to benefits and as to the amount of benefit to be received, and no action at law shall be maintained against said Association to enforce any claim or recover any benefit under this Act, or under the Constitution and By-Laws of said Association; but if any officer or Committee of said Association omit or refuse to perform

any duty imposed upon him or them, nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent any proceedings against said officer or Committee to compel him or them to perform such duty.

Sec. 4. The Treasurer of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association shall give a bond to the State of North Carolina, with good and sufficient sureties to the satisfaction of the Treasurer of the State of North Carolina in double of the sum received by him, for the faithful performance of his duties under this act, and shall make detailed report to the State Treasurer of the yearly expenditure of the appropriation under this act on or before the end of the fisical year.

Sec. 5. The line of duty specified in Section 3 shall not be so construed as to mean any other duty except actual fire duty, which shall consist of service in the fire department from the time of the fire alarm until the members are dismissed by the company officers at roll call; also any actual fire duty connected with the fire department when directed to perform same by the officer in charge.

Sec. 6. That any fireman of good moral character in North Carolina; and belonging to any organized fire company, who will comply with the requisition of the Constitution and By-Laws of the North Carolina State Firemen's Association, may become a member of said Association, and any organized fire company in North Carolina, holding itself ready for duty, may, upon compliance with the requisitions of said Constitution and By-Laws, become a member of said North Carolina State Fireman's Association,

Sec. 7. That the provision of this act shall apply to any fireman who is a member of a regularly organized fire company.

Sec. 8. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 6th day of March A. D., 1891.

Amendment.

An act of the last Legislature reads as follows (see page 41, Proceedings of 1893):

An act to amend Section 2, Chapter 868, Laws 1891:

The General Assembly of North Carolina do Enact:

Section 1. That Section 2, Chapter 868, Laws 1891, be amended to read as follows:

Sec. 2. That the Treasurer of the State shall pay the amount constituting the Firemen's Relief Fund on the warrant of the Auditor, three-fourths to the Treasurer of North Carolina State Volunteer Firemen's Association properly chartered by law. That the said Treasurer of the North Carolina State Volunteer Firemen's Association shall give bond, and the said Association shall disburse the funds in the same manner and under the same rules as in the North Carolina State Firemen's Association.

Sec. 3. That this act shall be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified March 6th, A. D. 1893.

Amendment.

An act to amend Section 2, Chapter 474 of the Laws of 1893 :

The General Assembly of North Carolina do Enact:

Section 1. That Section 2, Chapter 474 of Laws 1893, be amended as follows :

That the word three-fourths in line three, of said Section be stricken out and the words one-fourth be inserted in lieu thereof.

Sec. 2. That this act be in force from and after its ratification.

Ratified this the 28th day of February, A. D. 1895.

IN MEMORIAM.

Of Charles C. Thornton, Died July 23rd, 1903, Age 28 years.

Your special committee appointed by the New Bern Fire Engine Company No. 1, desiring to place upon record a tribute of respect to the memory of our late comrade, Mr. Charles C. Thornton, hereby declare their tender appreciation of his true manly character and their earnest hope that his untimely death while it leaves a sorrowful void in our own ranks, may bring to him an unending just recompense of worth.

He was intimately connected with us, was so strong in his devotion to every interest of the company, was so prompt to endorse every means for its prosperity and success that the ruthless despoiler could not have snatched from us a more shining victim.

He was a fireman in the heat and glow of flames, on parade, in the closest rivalry of State contests, and in the innocent pleasures of our festal unions—always to the front, never sparing his own time or strengh when the company needed him—he was a martyr to his enthusiasm and to his intense devotion to duty.

The flowers of remembrance may fade, the emblem of mourning may be folded away, but the smiling face and the form of our departed comrade shall cling to our thoughts through the coming years.

In honorable testimong of our official and personal regard for him as a man and a fireman, we place a page of our records to his memory, transmit a copy to his bereaved family, as a sincere tribute of respect.

J. J. GASKILL,
L. A. TAYLOR,
TOM. C. DANIELS,
Committee.

IN MEMORIAM

OF

JAS. E. JEFFIERS

DIED SEPTEMER 1ST, 1903

A MEMBER OF

ENGINE COMPANY, NO. 1

WILMINGTON, N. C.

Horse Hose Wagon Contest.

WEDNESDAY.

JUDGES—E E. Bain, Chas. Schnibben, Horace King, J. F. Maddry, A. J. Gales, Walter Woollcott.

QUICK STEAM.

Elizabeth City—Time, 3 minutes, 8 2-5 seconds.
Rocky Mount—Time, 9 minutes, 42 2-5 seconds.
New Berne S. F. E. Co. No. 1.—Time, 3 minutes, 12 2-5 seconds.

LONG DISTANCE.

Elizabeth City—245 feet, 2 inches.
Charlotte—238 feet.
Greensboro—214 feet, 4 inches.
Rocky Mount—186 feet.
New Berne S. F. E. Co. No. 1—182 feet, 1 inch.
TIMERS—W. R. Linton, M. E. McCown, M. Crocker.

THURSDAY.

HOOK AND LADDER.

JUDGES—M. A. Shank, A. J. Gales, J. F. Maddry, H. T. Day, Julian S. Carr.
TIMERS—W. R. Linton, M. E. McCowen, M. Crocker.
W. R Womble H. & L. Co., Raleigh—44 1-5 seconds.
Hook & Ladder Co. No. 1, Salisbury—56 1-5 seconds.

CHAMPIONSHIP REEL RACE.

JUDGES—R. D. Douglas, H. E. King.
TIMERS—Lionel Weil, H. T. Day.
Capital Hose Co. 3, Raleigh—46 4-5 seconds.

HORSE HOSE WAGON.

JUDGES—Horace King, J. F. Maddry, R. D. Douglas, Walter Woollcott, M. A. Schenck, Chas. Schnibben.
TIMERS—W. R. Linton. M. E. McCown, M. Crocker.
Independent, Salisbury—Time, 36 4-5 seconds.
Eclipse, Goldsboro—Time, 31 seconds.
Goldsboro No. 1, Goldsboro—Time, 30 4-5 seconds.

Fayetteville Co., Fayetteville—Time, 36 2-5 seconds.
Rescue, Raleigh--Time, 36 seconds.
Capital Hose Co., Raleigh—Time, 37 2-5 seconds.

HAND REEL CONTEST.

JUDGES—M. A. Shank, Julian S. Carr, A J. Gales, J. F. Maddry.
TIMERS—W. R. Linton, M. E. McCown, M. Crocker.
Capital Hose Co., Raleigh—Time, 27 2-5 seconds.
Eagle Hose Co. No. 4, Salem--Time, 30 seconds.
Spencer Hose Co., Spencer—Time, 24 3-5 seconds.
Pioneer Reel Team, Charlotte—Time, 29 seconds.
Concord Reel Team, Concord—No time.
Tarboro Reel Team, Tarboro—Time, 28 2-5 seconds.

GRAB REEL CONTEST.

Capital Hose Co., Raleigh—No time.
Eagle Hose Co. No. 4, Salem—Time, 20 1-5 second.
Spencer Hose Co., Spencer—No time.
Pioneer Reel Team, Charlotte—Time, 20¾ seconds.
Concord Reel Team, Concord—Time, 22 seconds.
Taboro Reel Race, Tarboro--No time.

JUNIOR REEL CONTEST.

Greensboro Juniors—Time, 16 seconds.
Raleigh Juniors--Time 17 seconds.

INDIVIDUAL FOOT RACE.

Harry Ree, Raleigh,

Company and Department Membership for 1903.

ASHEVILLE DEPARTMENT.

Chief S. G. Bernard.

HOOK AND LADDER CO. NO. 1.

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H. L. Lowe.
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R. M. Breggs,
C. F. Hare,
Wm. Brittain,
E. B. Stradley, Sec'y
G. E. Brown,
W. Bernard,
T. H. Brown;
W. A. Rector.
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J. C. Deaner,
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W. J. Turnbull,
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Wm: Jackson,
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Ed. Balond,
L, G. Ross,
J. D. Whitted,
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Geo. Bradshaw,
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Jno. Ireland,
J. Zeb. Waller,
Paul Monrow.

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L. G. Cruse,
R. J. Northey,
J. W. Arnold,
Walter Orr,
Chas. Renz,
W. T. Hart,
W. S. Orr,
W, J. Harmon,

PIONEER REEL TEAM NO. 2.

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Wm. McKenzie,
Tom Bickett,
Paul Webber,
Frank Orr,
Edgar Austin,
Parks Stone,
S. M. Wormack,
Brown McCall,
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Geo Meisheimer
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Frank Brumlow,
Albert Freeze,
Cecil Foil,
E. T. Goldston,
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Gordon Johnston,
J. M. Mabery,
O. C. Russell,
H. G. Ritz,
R. A. Sappenfield,
W. E. Isenhour,
A. R. Hoover,
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C. J. Markham,
J. J. Duke,
C. H. Turner,
C. A. Wicker,
W. A. Mabry,
L. Y. Cash,
W. F. Freeland,
L. L Chamberlain.

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S. H. Reams,
I. M. Reams.
D. W. Levy,
E. C. Thompson,
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Max Summerfield,
Chas. Strayhorn,
Claude Edwards,
J. S. Maynor,
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Patrick Farthing,
Dan'l Horton,
Luther Robertson,
Charlie Canada
Geo. Lougee, Jr.,

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Chas. Berry,
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Arthur Davis,
Chas. Archer,
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Luther Mulican,

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Henry Jones,
Leslie Yelverton,
R L Thompson,
Jas Southerland,
J. B. Jenkins,
John Raper,
Sol Isaacs,
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Hiram Ward,
W. D. Creech.
Jas. Hinson,
Tom Gram,
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C. V. Paythress,
E. G. Faulkner,
J. R. Carter.
R. J. Wortham,
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S. A. Brown,
Tom Weston.
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B. C. Harman,

KINSTON DEPARTMENT.

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J. F. Davis,
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G. H. Bell,
Ernest Lee,
H. W. McKinne.

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MONROE FIRE CO.

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Davis Armfield,
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J. F. Correll,
W. W. Correll,
T. L. Crowell,
J. V. Cadiew,
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Robt. Doster,
J. E. Eferd,
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J. F. Flow,
Jno. Fullenwider,
W. L. Howie,
Jessie Hill,
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Walter Laney
Juck LaClair,
Brown McCorcle.
Walter McCorcle.
Jno McCarten,
Hayden Shepherd,
W. A. Stewart,
Sam Walsh,
W. R. Walsh,
Robt Wallace,
Luther Wallace,
Joe Williams,
J. C. Smith,
Walter Belk
Wriston Lee
M. C. Brown,
P. R. Watkins,
W. A. Helms,
M. C. Howie.

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Geo. Herrington,
H. D. Wood, Sec'y,
Jno. Cook,
Leon Land,
J. B. Watson, Jr.,
Walter Brinson,
F. A. Gaskill,
T. C. Gaskill,
A. E. Hibbard,
F. F. Matthews,
D. W. Styron,
C. C. Thornton,
Frank Poly,
Jno. Bowden,
H. E. Howell,
Will Hoover,
Dan Shaw,
Leon Dawson,
Arnold Hendricks,
Harry Howard.

ATLANTIC S. F. E. CO. NO 1.

Jas. Delemar,
Chas. Ellerson,
M. D.W Stevenson.Jr.
Alfred Kofer,
Jno. Thomas,
A. Callaway.
A. T. Willis, Sec'y
Lon Bell,
Jas. Dawson.

RALEIGH DEPARTMENT.

Chief, Walter Woollcott, Asstant Chief, M. W. Crocker.
Superintendent Water Works, E. E. Bain.

RESCUE FIRE CO.

C. J. Betts,
T. W. Blake,
W. Z. Blake,
C. T. Hinnant,
Joe S. Correll,
W. A. Faucette,
W. W. Flow,
Frank Brinig,
W. B. Grimes,
R. E. Lumsden,
E. A. Lassiter,
S. W. Lumley,
W. F. McDowell,
J. N. McRary,
S. P. Pennington,
P. N. Pennington,
C. B. Park,
J. F. Straughan,
W. D. Terry,
T. R. Purnell, Jr.,
W. C. White,
Gordon Harriss,
J. A. Hinnant,
S. B. Brockwell.
L. H. Lumsden.

CAPITAL HOSE CO. NO. 3.

C. H. Betts,
T. B. Heartt,
R. C. Pool,
W. J. Andrews,
H. D. Bunch,
H. S. Carver,
Ed. Ennis,
E. T. Hall, Jr.,
Arthur, C. D.
J. F. Jordan,
Alex. Kreth,
R. D. Little,
W. A. Linehan,
Carl Dunn,
F. W. Mahler,
L. A. Mahler,
C. Pool,
H. F. Smith,
Jno. Watson,
Woodruff,
Claud Freeman,
Chas. Cardwell,
E. H. Baker,
J. F. Coke,
R. Galloway,
Herbert Horton,
Harry Lee,
J, M. Phillips.

W. R. WOMBLE HOOK & LADDER CO.

W. W. Parrish,
J. A. Turner,
E. B. Parrish,
W. R. Macy,
B P. Pool,
L. Bagwell,
Wiley Peebles,
C. F. Bulluck,
M. Crocker,
Henry DeBoy.
A. A. Doolittle,
F. C. Doyle,
H. B. Hardy,
Jas. Perry,
J. Mangum,
J McKee,
Henry Olive,
C. N. Otter,
W. C. Parrish,
Edgar Peebles,
Jno. Pugh,
Roderic Watts,
W. A. Taylor,
Jno. Wynne,
Frank Mabry,

ROCKY MOUNT DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. H. Cuthrell, Assistant Chief, J. J. Battle.

ROCKY MOUNT FIRE CO.

C. H. Harriss,
J. E. Humphries,
D. D. Daughtridge,
A. M. Butler,
G. G. Levy,
T. H. Lancaster,
W. H. Edwards,
W. E. Long,
R D. Long,

Wm. Soden, Jr.,
Joe Jenkins,
W. F. James,
R. P. Lindsay,
W. B. Bunn,
G. W. Smithson, Jr.,
E. J. Pitt,
A. A. Tharp,
H. C. Spicer,
R. W. Rawls,
C. C. Cooper,
N. P. Lawrence,
G. N. Nelms,
Jno. Brooks,
S. F. Jenkins,

SALISBURY DEPARTMENT.

Chief, P. H. Meroney, Assistant Chief, J. V. Wallace.
Supt. Water Works, J. W. Neave.

HOSE CO. NO. 1.

R. L. Julian,
C. H. Swink, Sec'y,
W. B. Howard,
P. N. Peacock,
W. F. Sides,
Jno. Ramsey,
J. M. Morgan,
J. T. Morgan,
F. A. Bolick,
Rowan Howard,
Jas. M. Peck,
W. F. Cauble,
R. N. Pendleton,
J. W. Myers,
Bob Sawyers.

HOSE AND LADDER CO NO. 2.

D. L. Sides,
M. V. B. Capps,
Henry Goodman,
M. L. Swink,
W. A. Brown,
J. W. Glover,
Claude West,
G. G. Seyffert,

INDEPENDENT HOSE CO. NO. 2.

Jno. M. Julian.

SALEM DEPARTMENT.

Chief, F. C. Meinung.

ROUGH AND READY CO.

E. R. Brewer,
Bedford Brown,
Wesley Everhart,
Sam'l Faircloth
W. C. Grunert,
W. M. Goslen,
Walter Hege,
J. W. Jarvis,
Francis Kimel,
Jas. Linebach,
Edw. Mickey,
Gaston Madison,
Harry Nissen,
Wm. Petree,
A. J. Peddycord,
W. S. Pfohl,
S. G. Rogers,
Robt. Seivers,
J. W. T. Schott,
Robt. Spaugh,
Jas. Petree.

EAGLE HOSE CO. NO. 4.

C. E. Tesh,
H. F. Lewis,
T. W. Monday,
J. L. Farley,
O. E. Collins,
M. B. Brewer,
W. M. Kimel, Sec'y,
J. E. Pfaff,
E. W. Jarvis,
R. W. Gray,
W. T. Miller,
J. G. Bostic,
S. E Disher,
A. A. Rathrock,
H. H. Halebrook,
J. M. Phillips,
R. E. Peddycord

SOUTHERN PINES DEPARTMENT.

Chief, A. M. Clarke; Assistant Chief, Henry Weber.

FIRE CO. NO. 1.

J. M. Tyson,
J. T. Dillahoy,
I. C. Edgerton,
W. J. Blue,
C. L. Blue,
S. W. Thomas
M. N. Sugg.
S. R. Newton,
W. W. Crain,
T. S. Burgess,
B. W. Levitt,
Jno. Kelley,
Angus Kelley,
Henry Kapitzke,
W. W. Dryden,
A. W. Crain,
Jas. Swett,
Lewis Couch,
Warren Ferguson
Geo R. Chatfield,
P. H. Johnson,
R. L. Chandler.

SPENCER DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. T. Morgan; Assistant Chief, Jas. H. Harriss.

FIRE CO. . 1.

B. W. Barger,
W. F. Cauble,
Jas. F. Gobble,
C. M. C. Barger,
J. H. Sides,
W. A. Boon,
Chas. A. Wellman,
Chas. A. Klutz,
C. H. Vuncannon,
W. P. Brown,
C. H. Handshimer.

TARBORO DEPARTMENT.

Chief, H. T. Day; Assistant Chief, A. T. Walston.

HOOK AND LADDER CO. NO. 1.

Abe Arnheim,
C. C. Austin,
N. R. Beatty,
D. F. Bridgers,
L. Bromble,
J. A. Cohen,
A. B. Cosby, Sec'y
R. M. Cosby,
B. F. Dawson,
W. G. Edwards,
M. T. Gwatney,
A. A. Haynes,
M. W. Haynes,
M. Johnson,
E. H. Lewis,
W. M. Michael,
Paul McCabe,
J. K. Newton,
R. E. L. Pitt,
Frank Powell, Jr..
T. B. Roberts,
J. L. Swinson,
Joe Savage,
W. G. Teachey,
A. Turner,
J. T. Vines:
D. D. Wagner,
J. O. Worsley,
J. A. Weddell.
Wade Andrews.
H. L. Leggett,
Jas. Redmond,
J. R. Thomas.

WILMINGTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, Chas. Schnibben, Assistant Chief, W. P. Monroe.

HOOK AND LADDER CO. NO. 1.

J. Wannamaker, A. D. Byrd, J. M. Kermon.
Wm. Runge, W. Kellnm,

HOSE CO. NO. 3.

L. Friemuth, Van Hughes, E. Harriss,
E. D George, J. L White, C. H. Tatum,
G. G Smith,

ENGINE CO. NO. 1.

B. R. Russell, J. N. Mohr, W. R. Bonham,
W. H. Kermon, T, B. Jackson, J. R. Hardee,
J. E. Jeffreys, B. N. Horne, Chas. Capps,

CHEMICAL CO.

P. N. Fick, H. L Kidd, R. A Cromwell,
W. P. Duncan,

ENGINE CO NO. 2.

W. A. Canady, J. B. King, L. A. Justice,
B. F. Swann, A. J. Burruss, J. B. O'Sullivan.

WINSTON DEPARTMENT.

STEAMER CO. NO. 1.

J. W. Allred, D. C. Martin, Willis Thompson,
J. R. Crutchfield, G. H. Myers, W. A. Hartness,
D. M. Haithcox, R. D. Pegram, T. R. Holder,
J. W. Dry, R. L. Rogers, Jno. H. Holmes, Sec'y
A. J. Gales, J. W. Stout, R. C. Rights,
R. L. Hopper, Lewis Thomas, Jos. Parrish,
E. P. Heggie, H. J. Winfree, Ed Rothrock,
S. J. Lamb,

HOOK AND LADDER CO. NO. 1.

R. C. Taylor, P. L. Miller, Hamilton Howard,
O. E Luppert, Wood Richmond, Joe Suttonfield,
H. L. Wall, Sec'y H. J. Stultz, T. S. Glenn,
W. S. Lindsay, W. F. Swain, W. W. Griffith,
Chas. Norfleet, Salem Daye, Eck Sloan,
R. W. Bryant, Burton Barbee, Preston Miller,

WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, Dr. J. K. Gallager.

OCEAN FIRE CO.

J. B. Fowle,
C. F. Harris.
R. L. Cotton,
Jas. W. O'Carroll,
Gilbert Rumley, Sec'y
E T. Stewart.
G. N. Howard,
J. S. Forbes,
Herbert Flowers,
J. R. Satterwaite,
Robt Whitley,

PHOENIX H. & L. CO.

B. G. Moss,
H. N. Blount,
Suffolk Miles,
Walter Gaskell,
Sylvester Edwards,
H. B. Mayo,
Leon Lathan,
Jas. Jackson,
W. H. McDevitt,
Levi Randall,
F. P. Whitney,
H. D. Whitley,
Wm. Howard,
T. P. Howard,
E. F. Roper,
W. D. Woolard,
F. A. Moss,
F. C. Kugler,
W. H. Morgan,
F. L. Windley.
J. R. Procter,
K. Saunders,
G. H. Hill,
Jas. Daughty,
Jas. Alligood,
Walter Credle.

WILSON DEPARTMENT.

Chief, J. L. Mayo,

HOSE CO. NO 3.

R. E. Batton,
Frank Winsted,
B. Hinnant.

Chief and Assistant Chiefs in Attendance.

Charlotte—Chief W. W. Irvine.
Concord—Chief J. L. Miller, Assistant J. W. Propst.
Durham—Chief W. H. Lewellyn, Assistant D. C. Christian.
Elizabeth City—Chief R. H. Raper.
Fayetteville—Chief J. S. McNeill.
Henderson—Chief B S. Aronson.
New Berne—Assistant Chief H. E. Royal.
Raleigh—Chief Walter Woollcott. Assistant M. W. Crocker.
Rocky Mount—Assistant Chief J. J. Battle.
Salem—Chief F. C. Meinung.
Tarboro—Chief H. T. Day.
Wilmington—Chief Chas Schnibben.
Washington—Chief Dr. J. K. Gallager.
Chapel Hill—Chief S. W. Andrews.
Spencer—Chief J. T. Morgan, Assistant Jas. H. Harriss.
Wilson—Chief J. L. Mayo.

SUPERINTENDENT WATER WORKS.

Durham—J. C. Michie, Assistant H. Bolton.
Raleigh—E. E. Bain.
Salisbury—J. W. Neave.
Wilmington—W. F. Robertson.

SUPERINTENDENT FIRE ALARMS.

Wiimington—J. T. Yates.

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Programme.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 11TH.

11 A. M.—Convention Called to Order by the President.

Prayer.

Address of Welcome.

Response.

Regular Order of Business.

The members of the North Carolina Water Works Association will meet in regular session with the State Association.

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 12TH.

9 A. M.—Street Parade.

10 A. M.—Exhibition Charleston Pompier Corps.

11 A. M.—Engine Contests.

2:30 P. M.—Horse Hose Wagon Races

4:30 P. M.—Championship Reel Races.

5:00 P. M.—Base Ball.

8:00 P. M.—Band Concert—Lake Park.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13TH.

9 A. M.—Hook and Ladder Contests.

10 A. M.—Exhibition Charleston Pompier Corps.

11 A. M.—Hand-Reel Contest.

1:00 P. M.—Grab-Reel Contests.

2:00 P. M.—Junior Reel Team Contests.

3:00 P. M.—Inter-State Contests.

5:00 P. M.—Base Ball.

Prizes.

ALL CONTESTS TO BE GOVERNED BY THE RULES OF THE NORTH CAROLINA STATE FIREMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

Engine Contest, Long Distance	First Prize,	$ 50.00
Engine Contest, Eong Distance	Second Prize,	30.00
Engine Contest, Long Distance	Third Prize,	20.00
Engine Contest, Quick Steam	First Prize,	50.00
Engine Contest, Quick Steam	Second Prize,	30.00
Engine Contest, Quick Steam	Third Prize,	20.00
Hook and Ladder Contest	First Prize,	75.00
Hook and Ladder Contest,	Second Prize,	50.00

STATE CHAMPIONSHIP REEL RACE.

Hand-reel Race	First Prize,	$100.00
Hand-reel Race	Second Prize,	50.00
Hand-reel Race,	Third Prize,	25.00
Grab Race	First Prize,	40.00
Grab Race	Second Prize,	20.00
Grab Race	Third Prize,	15.00
Hose Wagon Race	First Prize,	75.00
Hose Wagon Race	Second Prize,	50.00
Hose Wagon Race	Third Prize,	25.00
Best Pompier Service		75.00
Junior Reel Race	First Prize,	30.00
Junior Reel Race	Second Prize,	20.00